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### Waiting for an overdue eruption

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Pentagon prepares for full-scale campaign with Cruise missiles and Stealth warplanes

# Clinton's revenge

Martin Walker in Washington and lan Black in London

last night preparing a full-scale air campaign against list that includes military and administrative installations in Baghdad, using a full range of weapons from cruise missiles to B-52 bombers to Stealth

The defence secretary, William Perry, warned that any response by the United States to yesterday's missile attack on American aircraft would be "disproportionate with the provocations which are made | the US unqualified support. against us."

He went on: "In Iraq, air defence crews are playing some kind of a game, and they will very soon learn that we are not playing games.

Mr Perry confirmed that the US was sending to the

precision weapons which can penetrate deep bunkers and command centres, the Stealth

aircraft were last used in the

region to spearhead the Gulf war attack on Baghdad. As well as the cruise mis-siles of the US Fifth Fleet and the strike squadrons of the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, the Pentagon was also preparing B-52 bombers in what appeared to be the biggest show of aerial force in the region since the Gulf war. The B-52s are based on the

British island of Diego Garcia

— symbolising the support of
the one ally which has given "Whenever there's a crisis. whenever the chips are really down, I think Americans find that the British are with us. And we won't forget that,"

fighters, which are invisible challenge to American air be taken in the north to Iraqi radar.

Equipped with laser-guided where the US has so far Americans would have power in northern Iraq — where the US has so far shummed military involvement. The Pentagon said two Iraqi SAM-6 missiles were launched yesterday morning

against two American F-16 fighters near Mosul, on the edge of the Kurdish region. Neither plane was hit and the anti-aircraft stations turned companying F-15 fighter bombers could send antiradar missiles against them. This latest Iraqi defiance forced the Clinton adminis-

tration to reassess its strategy, hitherto based on the need to avoid the Kurdish entanglements in northern Iraq, and to limit punitive raids to the south. It is now less a question of whether or when the US will

respond, but where. Britain backed a firm reac state department spokesman Nicholas Burns said. tion. "We stand shoulder to shoulder," a Foreign Office official said, making clear

British officials said the Americans would have to go through the formality of asking permission to use the Diego Garcia base if attacks

there. But a new strain emerged yesterday within the Gulf war coalition, over the basing of the Stealth warplanes. Mr Perry confirmed that the US had not tested an uncertain Saudi support. Other Gulf states, including Kuwait. have been far stronger in their support for the US policy of containing Iraq with air

Another complication arose, with Turkey announcing it had begun consulta-tions with Washington about the future of the coalition air force at Incirlik.

A list of targets was pre-pared yesterday for the ap-proval of President Bill Clinton, on the campaign trail in Pueblo, Colorado near the region a flight of F-117 Stealth followed Baghdad's first direct that retaliatory action could Rocky Mountains. It included strikes in the north would make deal, page 6

repaired SAM sites around | reopen a diplomatic sore. the big Iraqi air bases of Kut sharpened by the realisation that the US may have to deal and Iskanderiyah, in the southern no-fly zone extended

by the US last week.
The Pentagon insists that
hostile anti-aircraft sites must be attacked, in the northern and southern no-fly zones, if US and allied warplanes are to maintain their natrols over the northern no-

The state department stresses that the main US strategic interests are in the south — the approaches to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the Guif. US attacks in the northern no-fly zone would annoy Turkey, and imply that the US is taking sides in the

Hussein in a corner," Mr Burns said. "In the northern part of Iraq, he has exploited a window of opportunity. By Kurdish civil war. After a week of delicate ne-gotiations between Washingvirtue of a couple of kiloton and Paris — which had metres, he's expanded his influence in northern Iraq. criticised last week's missile attacks — the French air force has resumed its partici-There's no doubt about it." pation in patrols of the north ern no-fly zone. New US

with the current victor in the

Kurdish struggle, the Kurdi-stan Democratic Party of

Massoud Barzani, to try to

stop him becoming a puppet

rather than a tactical ally, of

Iraqi television said yesterday that a formal agreement was being prepared, to be signed by Mr Barzani and President Saddam, establish-

ing the principle of Iraqi sovereignty over the Kurdish

"Where it really matters, in the south, we have Saddam

Saddam Hussein.

### Secret deal to speed up monetary union

John Palmer in Brussels

RANCE and Germany are privately preparing a "grand compro-mise" under which ambitious European Union plans for political union will be scaled back in return for a new push to achieve mone tary union by 1999, helped by a more "flexible" application of the Maastricht treaty

single currency conditions. According to government sources in Paris, Bonn and Brussels, an outline of the compromise, designed to break the deadlock at the conference now reviewing the Maastricht treaty, will be put to a special summit of EU leaders in Dublin next month.

the plan is agreed, the result is likely to be a limited treaty on European integration, to be signed next summer, but followed by a "rolling review" of the EU's development. This would ensure the European question remains at the heart of British politics into the next millennium.

Such a deal would break the deadlock over decision-making on foreign, defence and security policy now dividing Britain from its EU partners at the Inter-Governmental Conference (IGC) on the Maastricht accords.

hail any retreat from demands for closer political mise a commitment to full union as a triumph for Britain. While he will still be expected to agree to more majority voting and some limits on the national veto, the pro-posed compromise might defuse the civil war over Europe within the Tory party as the general election nears.

At the same time, pressure will increase on the Government not to rule out Britain's future participation in a single currency, especially if the qualification criteria are interpreted in a more relaxed way

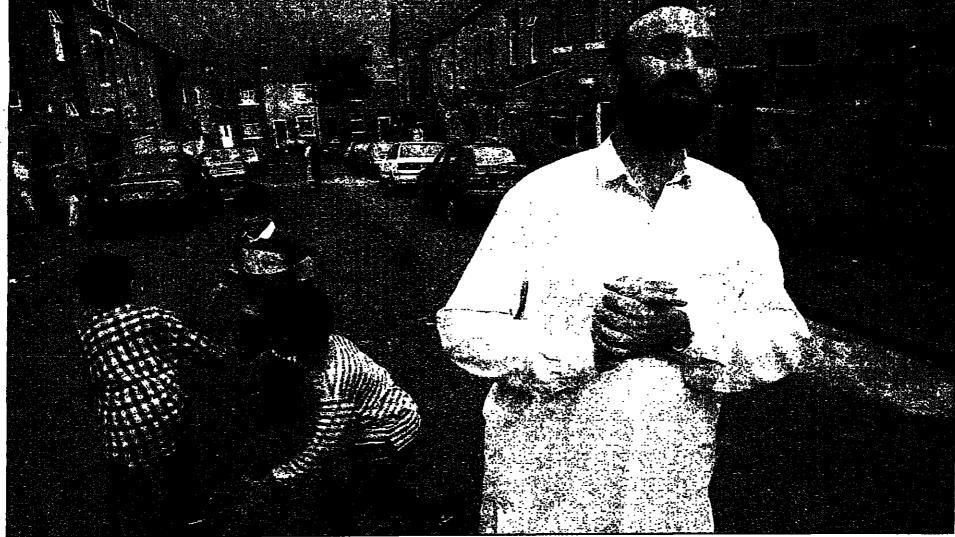




 as influential voices in Germany and France, beset by budget deficits, now suggest In both countries there is growing confidence that the 1999 will be made easier by the way the Maastricht treaty With even senior directors of the German Bundesbank calling for "flexibility" in enforcing the single currency criteria, the political momentum behind monetary union continues to grow.

In move which could influence the stand taken by a future Labour government on the single currency. EU govas part of the Dublin comproemployment in the new European Union treaty. They also want governments to balance the power of the planned European central bank over monetary policy by taking more joint decisions on key economic and tax policies.
Officials said France was

ready to abandon the goal of a purely European defence union and instead seek to continued on page 2



Martin Wainwright meets a

worker who after 27 years has

reached TUC aim of £4.26 an hour

Mohammed Rasab outside his two-bedroom terrace home in Keighley: the mortgage is paid off but with six children "it's a life of going very carefully" Labour braced for clash over minimum wage

minimum — give or take a few pence — and the fam-ily's B-reg Toyota Corolla got an extra shine.

But it wasn't Luxury Hall for the skilled sock, vest and jumper-spinner from the Pennine town of Keigh-

ley, and there was no cele-bratory day out for his wife Shaffat Bi and their six

children. "It's a life of going very

carefully on that sort of wage," said Mr Rasab.

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and Larry Elliott

■ONY BLAIR is bracing

himself for the possibil-ity that the first few

months of a Labour govern-ment will see a clash with public sector workers seeking

the £4.26 an hour minimum wage agreed by yesterday's TUC conference.

A senior Labour source said yesterday that pay de-mands from the public sector,

along with the decision on a single currency, are seen as the two biggest problems in the first 18 months in office.

With the TUC conference defying its own general secre-tary and the Labour leader-

ship to put a precise figure on

the minimum wage during a

highly charged debate in Leader comme

Blackpool, the Opposition ad- page 8; Larry Effort, page 9

The Cabinet will discuss diluting its anti-BSE cattle cuti plan when it meets today for the first time since the summer break.

mitted the issue could "hit us

smack between the eyes".

Tony Blair yesterday sought to play down this

week's row over the party's strike curb proposals—
"there's absolutely no difficulty at all about this" he insisted—but sources close to

him admit the plans are partly fuelled by the need to resist the expected pressure from public sector workers,

whose wages have lagged behind the private sector by 16 per cent over the last 14 years.
Rodney Bickerstaffe, secretary general of Unison, said:
"Let us say loud and clear, when I show get in our hid is

when Labour get in our bid is £4.26 and hour and not a

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retaunched his campaign for the US presidency with a crusade aimed at wresting the moral high ground.

Finance Labour's crackdown

AFTER 27 years in the Can they cut off the gas? In a £2-a-week bus bill eight years ago and kept gomether TUC's £4.26-an-hour much is it going to be this the TUC's £4.26-an-hour much is it going to be this the TUC's £4.26-an-hour much is it going to be this the thing partly by Mr Rasab's technical know-how. It supports the support the support the support the support the support to the support to the support the support the support the support to the support the support the support the support to the support the support the support the support to the support to the support the support to the

Supervising two rattling machines, part of a team of three with six spinning

frames to monitor and tweak, Mr Rasab's basic for

a 39-hour week climbed gradually to £154.71p.

which bonuses lifted to the TUC minimum level, and

sometimes more.
Mr Rasab said: "A pair of trousers lasts me three

years, sometimes more. It's the gentleman's wardrobe which suffers the cuts,

"You're always thinking: mostly because we want to orities, along with £4-a-

on the privatised utilities includes plans to levy hefty fines on companies. failing to deliver. secure supplies.

Manchester United '

can get school uniform free sometimes, but not always, and all their other clothes

Lake District or Torquay. "Holidays?" he said. "No, we haven't taken holidays

away. The only time was a

visit to my parents in Paki-

stan." The trip, carefully saved-for, top-sliced the stretched family budget. The eight pints of milk

every day on the pavement outside the two-bedroom

terrace in Enfield Street are a signal of spending pri-

are so expensive."

and Rangers carried British hopes in the Champions League with away games against Juventus and Grasshoppers.

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ular purchases of meat and fish. Mr Rasab said: "The

children's diet is very im-

portant and that's the

reason for the milk. It costs

us £15.79 a week, but it's money we think is well-spent."

Children apart, the other

the £6,000 purchase price

in 1978 was a burden, but

after 18 years the payments

are over and the leeway

made margins less tight on payments for the TV, video, fridge and washing machine.

Perhaps Mr Rasab should count himself lucky. Aver-

age hourly pay for full-time

vacancies in local Job-

Centres is £3.96 gross.

spend on the children. You | week spent on eggs and reg-

hasn't, however, taken the family to Blackpool, the Lake District or Townsel

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#### Sketch

### Drinking deep of Tory doctrine



Simon Hoggart

paign of modern British politics, as a policy, every has to have its rebuttal from the other side. Labour has a new computer system entirely devoted to rebutting the Conmerely believed in head-butt-

Yesterday the Conserva tives sent up their own rebutter to the TUC Congress in Blackpool. He was David Willetts, the Paymaster General, and he set up shop in a corner of Yates' wine lodge. "My orders from Central Office were to sit in Yates and buy the hacks champagne," he told

Yates has come up in the world from the days it was the roughest spot in Blackpool. End-of-the-pier comedians used to make jokes about it. "Twe heard they've got new sawdust in Yates," they would muse. "Of course, it were fur-

niture yesterday." Cab drivers would startle you by saying Yates had suf-fered a terrorist attack: "Fellow threw a petrol bomb through the window. Luckily,

"draught champagne", which tasted like effervescent brake fortify themselves with the celebrated Boseley beef sand wich". A man in a chef's hat stood behind a steaming haunch of beef, dipped a bun in gravy, and filled it for you with a savoury slab of gristle. pagne, and entertains the Pay-master General.

Mr Willetts's point was that the minimum wage debated yesterday would cost a million jobs. No doubt many jobs will go, but he had surpris-

All was soon explained. These turned out to have been produced by the Treasury

Aodel which, as models go, nas had alightly less success economic forecasting than Kate Moss.

we had a nostalgic frisson when Arthur Scargill staged an angry walkout. Sadly for him this occurred when the lights were down, during a film presentation about a TUC anti-racism rock concert in London called Respect. (Cam-paigns these days need to have snappy one-word titles if they want to be taken seriously. For instance, "Pride" is short for "End Discrimination Against Gays And Lesbians". Possibly "Sorted" will come to mean "Introduce A Flexible Minimum Wage On A Progre sive Basis According To Prevailing Economic Condi-

"Respect" featured various musicians you may have heard of, but Arthur Scargill probably hasn't. ("Weave on the decks, harmonised with melancholy synths chords an propelled by hell-like bass lines", according to the official Congress programme, referring to LTG Burkem, not

The NUM president and his delegation (two people) walked out while one fan wa referring to the music as "wicked, boss", a phrase which 20 years ago had a quite

different meaning here. Mr Scargill returned in time to make a heated speech on the minimum wage. He was greeted by a sound unfamiliar to him lately —

loud and prolonged applause But everything has changed so much. In spite of their pas sion in vesterday's debate these delegates are well turned out professionals in suits. To an increasing extent union membership is a middle-class luxury, like the

Alongside Mr Scargili's few miners and Rodney ers are the civil servants, bank clerks, actors, consultants, scientists and professional footballers. Meanwhile, in the private sector, the poor are deunionised, returned to the lumpen proletariat from which their great-grandpar-

There's even a classic sexter the title Music For Congress, which most of us thought meant Ravel's Bolero.



Fighters from the Iraqi-backed Kurdistan Democratic Party celebrate their recent victory near Sulaimaniya, northern Iraq

Heads seek full expulsion rights

### **Ministers** to agree cut in BSE cull

likely to agree controversial plans today to cut the accelerated slaughter pro-gramme of up to 129,000 cattle in the wake of the BSE crisis, to be formally submitted to European ministers on

Government sources admit-ted last night it was "highly improbable" that the plans drawn up to take account of new scientific evidence showing that "mad cow disease" will die out naturally in five

years — would be rejected at the Cabinet meeting today. The development means a victory for Tory Eurosceptics and MPs with farming interests who had threatened to oppose the legislative order authorising the cull through the Commons. But the proposal jeopardises any chance of an end to the British beef

Yesterday John Major confirmed the Government was reviewing the scheme planned in addition to a sepa-rate cull of up to one million old — but stressed the final decision would be taken "in consultation"\_with the European Union. There have been suggestions that the Government could cut the cuil by as much as a third.

The first step of the consul-tation with the EU began yesterday, after the Govern ment's decision to reconsider its pledge to Brussels over the cull was explained in detail to BU senior veterinary officers by Keith Meldrum, the Government's chief vet.

But earlier, the Commission warned the Government against going back on the deal reached by EU leaders in

Officials and diplomats in up trying to persuade other member states to agree to an early lifting of the beef ban.

believed there was no chance of any lifting of the beef ban it is unlikely to be lifted before BSE is eradicated in Britain.

There is little sympathy for the Government and, with European beef farmers also suffering from the collapse of consumer demand, no political will to accept an apparent reduction in the measures taken to eradicate the disease. Other member states were still saying yesterday that an increase in the number of cattie killed might be needed.

The proposals by the Agri-culture Minister, Douglas Hogs, will be discussed by the Cabinet today, along with the latest scientific evidence. He will also brief the Cabinet BSE crisis committee, and will relay the decision to EU agriculture ministers on Monday. It looks likely that minis-ters will back either a suspension of the cull for a number of years, or a cutting back of

"Nobody should expect snap decisions but it is right to examine and make sure the policy is correct in the light of new information." Mr Major

Mr Meldrum said last night: "An argument can be reason to carry through a selective cull because we would not speed the demise of the epidemic. We have said whatever we do should be based on science. We have two new reports and both must be taken into consideration."

As well as the evidence about the gradual "extinc-tion" of BSE, he was referring to revelations by UK scien-tists last month that BSE can be transmitted from cows to their calves.

Eurosceptic MP Bill Cash said: "It is essential that ministers review the position, and furthermore that we take Brussels yesterday were a realistic view about the line suggesting that the Downing the EU is going take. It is important that we continue to protect British farmers who are being very badly treated by the rest of the European

#### Review

### Still moralising after 400 years

Lvn Gardner

ICHARD EDWARDS was master of the 16th century children's acting company, the Boys of the Chapel Royal, which fre-quently performed at the court of Elizabeth I. He was also a playwright whose verse was much given to "griping griefs". "doleful dumps" and "weeping in woe".

His contemporary, the poet Barnaby Goudge, described him "greater than Terence and Plautus". Others have been less kind. Shakespeare, who as a Stratford schoolboy almost certainly studied Da-mon and Pythias with its moral message about faithful friendship, guyed the Ed-wards style in A Midsummer Night's Dream. However, it didn't stop Shakespeare using Damon and Pythias as a source for his own first play.

Two Gentlemen of Verona.

In the circumstances, you might think that a drama that is thought to have been unperformed for more than 400 years would have very little to recommend it. But at the Globe last night, in a one-off performance as the first of the theatre's efforts to stage rarely played Elizabethan and Jacobean plays, Damon and Pythias was shown to be burst-

ing with life.
Rosalind King, who culled this rowdy version from the over-punctuated 1571 edition, and director Gaynor McFarlane have unearthed a tragicomedy that is a very acceptable rough diamond.

The plot is simple. Damon and Pythias, two devoted Greek friends, arrive in Syracuse at the court of the tyrant King Dionysius. The knavish courtier Carlsophus makes false accusations against Damon, who is arrested and sen-tenced to death. Damon begs to be allowed one last visit to Greece, to which Diony-sius agrees only because Pyth-ias begs to stand as hostage for his friend. If Damon does not

McFarlane's master stroke is to play the piece in 20th cen-tury garb, which gives the audience a simple stereotype to latch on to — Damon and Pythias as a couple of kilted Scots on a sightseeing tour; the cowardly Jack and Will are a couple of blustering Teddy Boys; the arresting offi-cer a Keystone Cop and Dionysius a slinky disse mbler in a red smoking jacket.

It proved a pleasantly sur-prising evening, which restored a dead work to the stage and which also provided a fantastic showcase for the considerable comic talents of its female cast, led by Maureen Beattle and Patricia Kerrigan as the devoted friends who have "two bodies but one beart". An audience of academics, critics, groundlings and a baby showed apprecta-tion by hissing and cheering in all the right places.

be allowed to make a fresh judgment about the facts of school can no longer be easonably expected to cope with an unruly child.
"The pendulum has swung the case, Mr Hart said. They should only check that the head teacher followed correct procedures.

Parents whose children had been excluded from two or more schools should no longer would consider the association authority. too far in the direction of individual parental and pupil rights," said David Hart, gen-eral secretary of the National Association of Head Teachreturn by the agreed hour, Pythias must die in his place.

The climax is handled brilliantly, from the crooning an-gels who appear in the gallery as Pythias's death draws nearer, to the farcical arguments between the two friends about which should die.

This review appeared in later editions yesterday.

#### Labour braced for battle over level of minimum wage | deal to speed monetary union

interference from "emotional" school governors.

As the row continued over the fate of a 10-year-old accused of disrupting Manton junior school in Worksop, Nottinghamshire, they said heads should have complete authority to decide.

at a level the country can afford. A Low Pay Commission

— made up of employers,
mions and academics — will election, alongside the debe told not to recommend a figure which could be seen as damaging public finances or

endangering jobs.
The Conservatives exploited Labour's embarrassvote. The Government be-lieves the minimum wage, coupled with the strike curbs

continued from page 1 | last night from the fact that Mr Blair has made it clear | the TUC conference voted to the minimum wage will be set | back a leadership-backed momand for \$4.26 in the first year of a Labour government. The TUC leadership says the former will take priority over the £4.26 position — moved by Mr Bickerstaffe and the miners' leader Arthur Scargill — because it is the official Gen-

But neither the governors nor the local authority should

eral Council line.
John Monks, TUC general
secretary, said: "We are not
trying to impose a figure on coupled with the strike curbs controversy and last week's fiasco over Scottish devolution, will eat away at the public's trust in Labour as the election approaches.

John Major said: "Yesterday we had an absolutely shambolic day, with Mr Blunkett and Mr Blair contradicting themselves and changing policy almost on the hour.

Heaven knows what will hap-Heaven knows what will hap put firmly on the political pen over the next few weeks," agenda and is seen as the tar-

### France and Germany hatch secret

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defence "identity" through a
reformed and enlarged Nato —
as long advocated by Britain.
France and Germany also now accept that big decisions on foreign and security policy will not be taken by majority vote — as they originally suggested mission's role in these matters will remain limited. Britain will accept that res-

ers. "It is time the interests of have the right to insist they be tion's proposals. Mrs Shep-the law-abiding majority of admitted to another one. Al-parents, pupils and their though this could lead to a few require appeals panels to con-

have priority. . Mr Hart condemned the

"ludicrous situation" at Manton school where the governors overruled the head's de-

cision to expel 10-year-old Matthew Wilson and brought

in a personal tutor, costing £14,000 a year. It was not sur-prising that the majority of

teachers and parents opposed the move, since there would

have to be cuts in books, equipment or even a normal

pupils and their though this could lead to a few require appeals panels to conwere given equal children being banned from all sider the interests of all the local schools, it was essential children in a school when de-

ponsibility for formulating common EU foreign policies should pass to Brussels-based experts rather than diplomats in national capitals. Britain is also to abandon its opposition to the inclusion in the Mass-tricht treaty of a clear EU role in international peacekeeping and other security missions.

negotiations in Paris the of economic and tax policies.

following day. Chancellor Helmut Kohl then plans to travel to Dublin for a meeting with the prime minister, John Bruton, who will chair

The association called for a package of other disciplinary powers, including detention after school without parents'

should be allowed to insist that

parents sign a home-school

contract about children's

behaviour as a condition of admission to the school.

Pressure was mounting on

the summit on October 5. In the first of two EU summits this autumn, the Dublin meeting will focus on achieving agreement on foreign and security policy, a commit-ment to employment goals and an EU role in the fight

French pressure on the EU to settle for more modest changes to the Maastricht treaty has angered the Com-mission, the European Parlia-ment and more integrationist EU countries — notably the

Benelux states.

The British government will still be expected to sign The German cabinet will finalise its new strategy for the Maastricht treaty review in Bonn on October 1 and French and German mints limited number of areas in limited number of areas ters will hammer out an cluding social policy, the en-agreed joint line for the IGC vironment and some aspects

# EAD teachers yesterday demanded sweeping powers to expel Gillian Shephard, the Educamajority of children should be excluded. agreement. Head teachers the Nottinghamshire dispute. But despite a call from Joe

Andie MacDowell talks exclusively to Radio Times about her modelling years. How it got her into Hollywood and nearly got her laughed out. And how models aren't what they used to be.

RadioTimes

IT'S NOT WHAT YOU EXPCCT.

#### Grounded: the co-pilot who discovered fear of flying – at 33,000 feet

Tim Radford

US sociologists have dis-covered a link between the number of times country music is played on the radio and the suicide rate among urban white males in parts of

**Dangers of country music** 

This effect was independent of variations in gun ownership, divorce rate or

festival in Birmingham Adrian North and David Hargreaves, of Leicester University, have been collecting evidence of the impact of

dwells on several themes, (such as heavy alcohol consumption, loss of a loved one) told a meeting held at the which are predictive of British Association science suicide".

THE roll-call of abject British failures, which Despite the efforts of other crew members to music on everyday life.

They reported that one US research team studied country music, and found it to be — "a style which often dwells on several them." stretches from Eddie the calm him, the co-pilot continued to "show symptoms of anxiety and stress" and the pilot was forced to land the aircraft at Lyon, according an Air Accidents The British-born first of-ficer, who had been flying since 1989, caused an air-

craft carrying 49 passen- a Maersk Air flight from gers from Britain to Italy to Birmingham to Milan was

Labour took some comfort get by some unions.

Investigation Branch report.
The incident happened as

a Maersk Air flight from

divert after he told the pilot passing over Moulins, would say only that he was he was "frightened of the France, at 33,000 feet in a married man in his 30s. He is thought to have The co-pilot's condition

improved once the plane started its descent into Lyon and he was able to help the pilot with landing procedures, the report says. He was immediately sus-

pended from duty and sub-sequently failed the required medical tests. He has since left Maersk Air. A company spokeswoman

joined the airline company, a British Airways franchise operator, after working as commerced pilot for two

> "He had been with us for fust under a year and there had been no problem be-fore. I don't believe he is flying any more and I'm not sure what work he is now involved in," the spokes

other airlines since 1989.

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### Susannah Frankel on the battle lines being drawn up a few weeks before the start of the spring/summer collections Style or fashion? Top designers go to war



"Fashion is finished, specifically the fashion system in which style is dictated from above and the public swallows each season's diktat about this colour, that length, this mood and no other . . . Modern fashion is about freedom, democracy and individualism, and this is a development that I, for one, welcome."

**Georgio Armani** 

NLY weeks be-

fore the start of

the spring/sum-mer collections,

a fashion war

appears to be breaking out

between Italy's two super-

star designers Gianni Ver-

sace and Giorgio Armani. Earlier this week, an

article in the Corriere della

Sera, one of Italy's leading broadsheets, said Armani

was "celebrating the death

of fashion".
"Fashion is finished," he

told the paper and Versace,

himself not averse to more

than his fair share of publicity - particularly in the

run-up to show time — wasted no time in respond-

ing. "At the beginning of

each season there are fash-

ton designers who discover all of a sudden that fashion

is dead, perhaps confusing overall appreciation with a

personal problem," he said.

Of course, Armani and Versace, Italy's kings of

minimalism and glamour

respectively, are hardly strangers to this kind of

feuding. In fact, if the Ital-

ian press is to be believed,

they're at it constantly. Ar-

mani, in particular, repeat-



The Armani style: a minimalism which the Italian designer introduced to the world

Neither Armani nor Ver-

about mass manufacture

Fashion is a barometer

of culture. If there is no

fashion, there is no

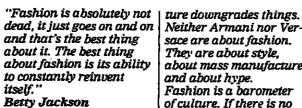
Vivienne Westwood

sace are about fashion.

They are about style,

and about hype.

culture.



"Fashion is definitely very much alive in London.'

Ren Pearce, Pearce Fionda

although mass manufac-

edly expresses his disdain not only for Versace but also for other leading Italian houses, including Prada and Gucci, currently finding favour with the

fashion cognoscenti. Sour grapes? Versace certainly seems to think so. And perhaps with good reason. It's no secret, after all, that, where Armani used to be the designer favoured by the glitterati, today any Hollywood star-let or rock star worth his or

"Fashion is not quite dead Katharine Hamnett Robbie Williams and Madonna who also starred in two of Versace's recent ad-

a very fashionable thing to

vertising campaigns) wears Versace instead. In terms of Hollywood, an arena of prime importance for any fashion designer, Armani is clearly fighting a losing battle. To underestimate his genius, however, would be a mistake.

It is perhaps ironic that, with fashion in general at its most effortlessly stylish, let or rock star worth his or her salt (from Liz Hurley and Lisa-Marie Presley to mani, without question the

ducing this type of dressing to the world in the first place, seem sadly dated. Although he is still routinely described as one of the world's most important and influential fashion designers (he's certainly one of the richest), Armani, aged 62, finds himself in the unhappy position whereby his imitators (Calvin Klein and Jil Sander to name just "Saying fashion is dead is

man responsible for intro-

two) have overtaken him.
Still, Versace, aged 50, clearly feels he should keep his grievances to himself.
"Armani is one of the big Italy and he should support them as I and many others

For his part, Armani says he has been quoted out of context. "When I said 'fash-ion is finished' I meant specifically the fashion system in which style is dictated from above and the public swallows each season's diktat about this colour, that length, this mood and no other . . . Modern fashion is about freedom, democracy and individualism, and this is a development that I, for



The Versace style: now favoured by stars of film and rock music Photographs: Chris Moore

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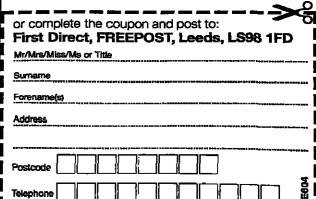
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### **Unemployment to dip below 2m**

Sarah Ryle could bring the Government's neasure of unemployment to below two million in time for NEMPLOYMENT is on a spring general election.

The average monthly fall over the last three months was course to dip below two million before the general election according to offi-18,600, supporting the official cial estimates unveiled trend estimate. Seasonally adjusted employment levels rose yesterday. Whitehall officials reported the number of jobless in August fell to 2,110,400 or 7.5 by 90,000 in the three months to June to 25,810,000.

Labour compared the fall in per cent, its lowest for more official unemployment of 180,000 in the year to August than five years — and well below the rate of 10.5 and 12.5 per cent respectively in Germany and France. with the 93,000 rise in the workforce over the same period, arguing that half of those leaving the claimant The number of people efit is set to fall by 15,000 a | count had not found jobs.

The party's employment ernment's inflation target of spokesman. Ian McCartney, 2.5 per cent were dampened forgotten flock, the 2.75 million economically inactive men excluded from the unemployment figures.' Labour Force Survey fig-

ures, using an internationally agreed definition of joblessness, showed unemployment rose by 11,000 in the three months to May against a 46,000 fall in claimants, renewing speculation that the Government's figures mask the real state of the labour market. Fears that falling unem-ployment could trigger higher wages and threaten the Gov-

down by data showing the underlying average wage growth in July was 3.75 per cent, leaving the rate unchanged for six months. Weakness in manufactur-ing and restraint in overall

wage growth combined to support City analysts' predic-tions that the official headline inflation rate last month, published today, will fall to 2 per cent. This renewed specula-tion last night that the Chancellor. Kenneth Clarke, might be tempted to risk another economy-stimulating cut in

Somehow this shabbily dressed gay buffoon with his falsetto giggle; this fidgeting, bumbling public speaker. described as "grotesque, impulsive, school-boyish, humorous and almost clownish" ran rings around the British government.

Peter Godwin on Cecil Rhodes

**G2** cover story

#### Coe quits gun group over Dunblane slur

CONSERVATIVE MP Sebastian Coe yesterday resigned as president of the National Pistol Association in protest at the criticism of a bereaved Dunblane parent contained in the latest NPA newsletter. The former Olympic champion, MP for Falmouth and Camborne, said he "disagreed" with the sentiments in the article which had claimed that John Crozler, whose five year-old daughter Emma was one of 17 to die in the primary school massacre, was working to a secret agenda in advocating stricter gun control. It also alleged that Mr Crozier had tried to

bribe a lawyer at the Cullen inquiry.

Mr Crozier's wife, Alison, last night said: "John and I are just pleased that Mr Coe has resigned." Mr Coe's decision was also welcomed by the Snowdrop campaign, based near Dunblane, which has raised a 700,000-signature petition calling for a ban on the private ownership of handguns. — Erlend Clouston

#### Labour attacks HMSO sale

A NEW row over the "half price" sale of government assets broke out yesterday after it was revealed that Roger Freeman, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, is selling Parliament's printers to a private consortium of City financiers for £51 million

The deal, with National Publishing Group, is worth only half the £100 million the Cabinet Office predicted it would get for Her Majesty's Stationery Office. HMSO has a turnover of £355 million a year including valuable contracts printing government white

Derek Foster, Labour's shadow Chancellor of the Duchy, last night challenged Mr Freeman to "come clean " over "yet another car boot sale of government property to the private sector before the election. The final offer is a knock down price for an historic institution..." — David Hencke

and a bodice-ripping version of Henry Fielding's 18th Century classic novel Tom Jones head the BBC's £184 million drama

trend among terrestrial broadcasters towards the revival of big budget costume drama. Christopher Lee, the 74-year-old former star of Hammer horror, plays villain Lucas De Beaumanoir in the £6 million version of Ivanhoe. Steven Waddington, star of Last of

The BBC is also preparing a six-part version of Salman Rush-die's Booker prize-winning novel, Midnight's Children, which is to be shot on location in India next year. — Andrew Culf

#### Scots 'face tidal wave risk'

SCOTLAND runs the risk of being swamped by a string of highspeed. 100-feet tidal waves, a scientist warned yesterday. In a weather forecast which will alarm coastal communities from Dunbar to Lerwick. David Smith, of Coventry University, says the country remains vulnerable to the same sort of aquatic calamity which drenched mesolithic Scots 8,000 years ago.

Investigations by Prof Smith and Norwegian geologists have confirmed that deposits of sand and deepwater silt on the Scottish mainland can be linked to the gigantic ripples formed when a 3.880 cubic kilometre slice of rock slid off the Continental Shelf. In theory, there is nothing to prevent the same thing happening again. "At the extreme, we could be looking at very serious damage along the coastline," said Prof Smith, who disclosed his findings at the Orkney Science Festival earlier this week. The Continental Shelf, which extends 250 miles east of Aberdeen, occasionally experiences small tremors. — Erlend Clouston

#### Correction

A REPORT in the Guardian vesterday on an inquiry into Grimsby hospital's obstetric and gynaecology services incor-rectly stated that the review concluded that a child's death could be traced to an amniocentesis test. In fact the investigating team stated that the amniocentesis was unlikely to be the cause and ar inquest jury in November 1995 returned a verdict that the child died from natural causes.

Prescott regales US with tales of Jaguars, Blair and 'bumpy rides'

OU could tell it was a special occasion because Tina Brown was not in her usual booth. The New Yorker editor had swapped it for a less exclusive one nearer the bar to hear John Prescott pitch New Labour to Manhattan's media elite. "My first impres

to say 'Hello Brain Drain'," said Mr Prescott, referring to the battalion of ex-pat Journalists who control a sizeable portion of New York's media and publishing business. On the face of it Mr Pres-

cott's breakfast talk on What Tony Blair's England Might Be Like looked a distinctly New Labour affair. The venue was the chic Phi-lippe Starck-designed Royalton hotel and the hosts included Ms Brown, her publisher husband Har-old Evans, and trendy res-taurateur Brian McNally. But as his audience nib-

tional tone, recalling that him not to say anything his earliest visits to New that might be construed as York had been as a waiter on Cunard liners.
The first time he arrived

in a form which asked knows what he wants to firstly whether he had ever do." been a Communist and



Prescott and the apparently near-converted Tina Brown

suffered any mental insta-bility. To the first question he responded No and to the second: "Yes, I had an aunt who married a GI."

tion of Mr Evans, he said bled on croissants and the Random House presimixed berries, Mr Prescott dent and former Sunday struck a distinctly tradicriticism of Mr Blair, but allowed that "as a deputy leader I can tell you it can in the city, he recalled with be a bumpy ride from time evident glee, he had to fill to time with a leader who

He also evinced surprise



econdly whether he had | at a report that Mr Blair had suggested the Labour Party's function was to enable working class people to become middle class. "I can't believe Tony actually said that. He could have said the Labour Party was going to be the university of the middle-class. If he did he's not going to be very successful in many ways." Class should not be an issue in Britain any more, he insisted. He was often

asked how as a socialist he could drive a Jaguar, and he replied, "I put the key in the ignition and turn it on . . . that's about style."

Questioned on how

Labour planned to combat | nest Bevin in the modern negative campaigning by Labour movement". Both negative campaigning by the Tories, Mr Prescott said he thought Labour had over-reacted to the Conservative advert featuring Mr Blair with apparently devilish eyes, but otherwise steered clear of any possible controversy.

He envied the way Democratic Party leaders could criticise certain Clinton policies at their convention. "The press treat that as diversity in unity. If I was to breathe even at this dinner any suggestion of criticism, it would be a major split between me and

Tony Blair." Questions about the Royal Mail strike and for a return." Labour's plans for the monarchy were deftly sidestepped as Mr Prescott in-sisted: "The Labour Party is not a Republican Party."

Bianca Jagger, Amnesty International campaigner and ex-Rolling Stone spouse, wanted to know what Labour would do about human rights abuses in Bosnia. Mr Prescott said it would be something, and revealed that he admired President Carter's policy of limiting trade with countries with poor human

men shared roots in Prestatyn and came from hum-ble "railway folk", he said. Later Mr Evans told the Guardian that he had recently joined Labour. In his years as a newspaper editor he had considered it improper to join a party but had voted for all three

major parties. Though there were few votes to be won at yesterday's breakfast, Mr Evans said a number of longtime British expatriates were considering returning to Britain if Labour won. They are looking to see if they can get a soft landing

Ms Brown said she was not a member of any party mise her position as the edi-tor of a publication which regularly covers politics, but she came close to offer-ing the Labour leader an endorsement: "Tony Blair's Britain sounds an exciting place and I would like to spend a lot of time in it."

Even after 14 years in America she suffered pangs of homesickness, she said. She had experienced one a few weeks ago when, while rights records.

Mr Evans had introduced the deputy Labour leader glowingly as the "only Erstaying in Oxford, she saw "Harry lolling on a sofa with the sound of cricket in

#### Ivanhoe tops BBC schedule

A SWASHBUCKLING adaptation of Sir Walter Scott's Ivanhoe schedule for next year.

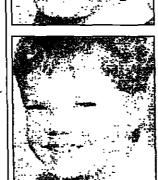
The package, which was launched yesterday, continues the the Mohicans, takes the title role.



lan Katz reports

from New York







Police yesterday outside the Essex farm where the bodies of Margaret Jarvis, and her sons Russell. middle, and Christopher. were found

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### PC's missing wite tound dead with sons in car

Alan Watkins

HE missing wife of a police officer was found dead with her two young sons in the back of their family car yesterday after what friends and relatives said was a life beset

by personal tragedy.
Police believe that after driving from her home in the village of Nounsley, near Chelmsford, Essex, where she had removed her jewellery and left credit cards and £700

and left credit cards and Ervis, in cash, Margaret Jarvis, aged 47, drove half a mile to a deserted farm.

While a hosepipe fixed to the exhaust passed fumes into the car, she read stories to Christopher.

Christopher, aged five, and Russell, aged seven. She was found with them in a final

blow to a woman who nursed over again." her first husband in the final stages of terminal cancer while coping with two teen-

age daughters.
Superintendent Brian
Storey, who led the search,
said: "She was a lady who ob-

Jarvis never lost hope that her husband would return permanently to her. A member of her family

chance" after the death of her important to her. After the first husband — were disdeath of her first husband she mayed to discover her mar-riage to PC Paul Jarvis. 35. had broken down.

They said it was the final

Police say Mrs Jarvis had also suffered the loss of her father recently. Superintendent Storey added: "She suffered one tragedy too many. Which one we shall probably not know but the sadness of

her death and the circum-stances surrounding it have affected every one of us." The land on which Mrs Jar-

vis's car was found is owned by local farmer and postman Richard Rawlinson — brother of Mrs Jarvis's late first husband, Geoffrey Rawlinson. Supt Storey said police had poisoning.

Yesterday friends of Mrs said yesterday: "I just don't looked over the area with a Jarvis — who had said she think she could come to terms helicopter but had not was so glad for a "second with losing Paul. He was so searched the garage. One of Mrs Jarvis's friends, Ann Ellingham, said she had

would have been checked.

would have been checked.

She said of the police's failure to find the car: "It does make you wonder, really, doesn't it? It is right on the doorstep."

Supt Storey said police were faced with a difficult

task because they had no specific area to search and were faced with a region peppered with isolated farm buildings.

Police said initial post-mor tem examination results the two children had died from carbon monoxide

### Britain hangs on to looted gold

Richard Norton-Taylor

SUCCESSIVE governments have refused to release millions of pounds worth of looted Nazi gold held by the Bank of Eng-land even though it was held in the US Federal

be returned to its owners until Britain reached a settle-

agreed years ago how it should be distributed, it emerged yesterday.

They have persistently argued that the gold could not use and the should represent the should be distributed. It emerged yesterday.

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It represents 12 per cent of the \$500 million (£322 million)

mation about the Bank of England account before a meeting with the Swiss for-eign minister next week. Mr Rifkind is under strong

pressure, particularly from Jewish groups, to question Flavio Cotti about the precise whereabouts of the Nazi gold, and how much is still held in

that the Albanian dispute was never an obstacle to the release of the gold.

Some £40 million worth of gold looted by the Nazis has been held since 1947 in a special Bank of England as count A further Elfamillion is metric.

The figures emerged it would go to foreign governments, but not to individuals. A spokesman said he was not in a position to name the prospectation of the foreign special bank of England as asked for further interest. land and Hungary

Britain agreed in principle in 1992 to return to Albania about £12 million in gold looted by the Nazis but taken by the Allies at the end of the war - in exchange for £1.3 million for the sinking of the two warships.

The Tripartite Commission. ment of a dispute with Albania.

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#### Loyalist parties to stay in talks despite death threats row

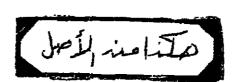
OYALIST politicians can sive Unionist Party and the threat against Mr Wright. Ulster Democratic Party were excluded over last month's threats by their paramilitary threats by their paramilitary. The DUP deputy leader, The cross-community Alliwings, the British and Irish liner Billy Wright. governments decided yester-

day, writes David Sharrock.

But the governments ruled that the Mitchell principles of

Peter Robinson, said the im-plications were far reaching. "It is an invitation to Sinn Ian Paisley's Democratic non-violence had not been Fein to come through these Unionists had threatened to breached. Although the two doors without any change in withdraw unless the Progres | parties had failed to condemn | the IRA's position." The DUP | stand-off.

The cross-community Alliance party has meanwhile accused the two main Unionist parties of breaching the Mitchell principles because of



### Shephard forced to scrap student bank loans plan

he Government was forced yesterday into a climbdown student loans when Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary, admitted she was scrapping the "twin-track" scheme she put through Parliament earlier this year

After months of abortive negotiations with Barclays and Clydesdale. Mrs Shephard has dropped her plans for the banks to offer subsi-dised loans, worth up to £1.645 a year to most students, in competition with the Student Loans Company, which is backed by the Treasury. Instead the Government

will try to sell off as much as | funds. possible of the £2 billion owed to the loans company, and dogged by controversy, and vice and effectiveness".

contract out its administra- | last year its chief executive tion. Douglas Trainer, president of the National Union of Students, said the Government was trying to reduce public borrowing at the expense of the interests of students. "We want an early commitment that any money raised will go to prevent the introduction of tuition fees and bring an end to student hardship, and not be used for pre-election tax bribes."

Six years ago, the commercial banks refused requests to participate in the introduction of loans, fearing they restricted by the restriction of loans, fearing they restricted by the restriction of the restric would share the unpopularity of the Treasury's decision to reduce maintenance grants. The Government was obliged to set up the loans company, based in Glasgow, to lend money provided out of public

However the company was

was obliged to step down after an investigation into finan-cial irregularities. Students complained of delays in getting loans, and repayments

were slower than expected.
Last year Mrs Shephard
proposed easing the pressure on public resources by offering subsidies to banks willing to offer cheap student loans. At first she said the scheme would begin in October 1996.

scheme altogether. Mrs Shephard said the sale of outstanding debts would "bring benefits from transferring risk to the private sector, while the strategic contract-ing out of the current loans administration should in turn lead to improvements in ser-

There would be no change in the terms for loans. "[A student's] right to defer repayments when their income is below 85 per cent of average earnings, and to have flation, will be preserved. The fact that the debt is sold will have no practical effect on them," she said.

Bryan Davies, Labour's higher education spokesman, said it was the Government's fault its strategy had col-lapsed, since it had failed to sell it to the private sector. Labour would replace the present system with 20-year loans, repayable through National Insurance.

The Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals agreed that the current 'mortgage-type repayment scheme should be replaced with a scheme which links repayments to pay levels".

### Girl may have waved to killer

#### Vivek Chaudhary

NINE-year old girl who survived an attack in which her mother and sister were killed may have waved to the attacker minutes before the killings, police

said yesterday.

Josephine Russell has told police that she waved to a man in a parked car who then approached her and began at-tacking her mother Lin, 45. and her sister Megan, six.

Detective Chief Inspector Dave Stevens said police were still trying to discover in which order Josephine, her sister and mother and the family dog were attacked on July 9 as they walked through the Goodnestone Park estate in Kent.

serious head injuries in the attack and has only just regained her memory, is undergoing cognitive interviewing techniques to try and piece together details surrounding the murders.

Mr Stevens said: "Josie has frightened." said that she was walking home with her mum, her sister and her dog and that as

as she walked by him she waved to him. She then continued walking and somehow this man got in front of them and she was attacked."

She also saw her mother at tacked with a hammer. Police said forensic tests were continuing on a hammer found in

Mr Stevens said: "I hope and pray this is the murder weapon but we cannot be sure for at least a couple of days."

Police plan to continue in terviewing Josephine, who is only able to make limited conversation. They also plan to introduce a model of the murder scene and are using specially-adapted interviewing techniques and sign language to communicate.
Mr Stevens said: "We are

having to take things very slowly, but Josephine obvi ously has a clear memory of the attack. She has seen an Efit of a man seen near the murder scene and she had a strong reaction to that. She was obviously

by 14 people following an appeal on the BBC Crimewatch track, there was a car parked. | programme.

### |'DIY language' fails to impress

#### **David Sharrock**

CAMPAIGN for official recognition of Ulster Scots, the language of the Plantation of Ireland, has been dealt a heavy blow by the European Commission following a visit which failed to find a single speaker of the

In a critical report drawn up by 12 European delegates who speak languages such as Breton, Irish, Galician and Friulan (from northern Italy) Ulster Scots is damned as being "extremely close" to standard English. This is vigorously denied by enthusiasts who say fair fa' ye, whit wey

gangs ve, in preference to "hello, how do you do?". The plantation was a settle ment of British families in the 16th and 17th centuries, on confiscated Irish land.

The report also rubbishes claims by the Ulster Scots Language Society — founded in 1992 to promote a revival that there are 100,000 speak-Mr Stevens also said police ers living in an arc which had eliminated a man named stretches from the Ards peninsula in north Down, north Donegal.

Written in French for the European Commission's Dublin-based Bureau for Lesser Used Languages, the report gives a sceptical account of the efforts of Ulster Scots enthusiasts in March to convince the delegates that the language was worthy of financial assistance.

It states that a demonstration by the author and "native speaker" James Fenton of 18th century Ulster Scots poetry had not convinced the presbyterian church, supposedly an Ulster Scots centre proved a disappointment be-

"In our trip to the Ards peninsula we failed to find a communal language other than English or to find an open Ulster Scots speaker," says the report. It concludes that Ulster Scots is "the linguistic expression of a fringe of the Unionist community

Campaigners claim that Ulster Scots is experiencing a renaissance, with Oxford University Press publishing a concise dictionary, bilingual street signs and plans for an tionalist Belfast newspaper recently called it "a DIY language for Orangemen".

**NEW FANTASTIC** 

### Classical ballet steps into West End as dance ratings rise



Adam Cooper (left) as the swan and Scott Ambler as the prince perform a duet in Swan Lake PHOTOGRAPH: HENRIETTA BUTLER

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THE first classical ballet to run in a commercial West End theatre for 75 years — as its promoters claim — launched its premiere in London last night intent on demonstrating the growing popularity of

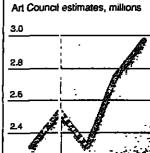
Not since the Russian impressario Diagbilev staged The Sleeping Prin-cess in the now defunct Alhambra theatre in Leicester Square in 1921, according to the show's publicists, has any com-

Swan Lake by Adventures in Motion Pictures at the Piccadilly theatre — using male dancers in the lead roles — was being widely praised, some critics were vesterday warning sotto roce that its initial eight-week run might prove over-

ambitious. What is indisputable is dance," said the company's producer and manager. Catherine Dore. "People | crowds flock in.

#### parry risked such a venture. | used to think it was posh, But while the newly-cho-reographed production of populist. We want to be Swan Lake by Adventures Tchaikovsky's musical score and re-choreographed it. All the steps are different and the swans are played by men not women It may sound odd. but swans are huge powerful creatures, not fluffy

ducks." The revised production has been supported by up to the sharp rise in audiences recently. "There is a growing interest in ballet and have each stumped up have each stumped up £1,000. As backers of Swan Lake, they are hoping the



**Ballet audiences** 

### Labour warning to NHS trusts

#### David Brindle, Social

would close down hos-pital trusts not delivering acceptable standards of patient care, Tessa Jowell, the new shadow health minister, said yesterday. Although Labour would in-

ject more stability into the NHS by abolishing annual contracts for patient care, she said, there would be strict monitoring of standards.

"If trusts cannot or will not keep up with the standards of the best, we do not want them to continue providing care for patients." she told the annual

first policy statement by Labour's new health team under Chris Smith, shadow health secretary. She took pains to offer reassurance that the party was not plan-ning upheaval in the NHS. She said Labour's reform of

GP fundholding would be "a long process", and freely referred to the future role of "trusts" — a term adopted by the Government and eschewed by previous shadow ministers.

'We don't want disruption and reorganisation simply for the sake of it, but only if it is justified and is broadly recognised as justified in the interests of better care," she said. conference of the NHS Trust Annual contracts between Federation in Birmingham.

Ms Jowell's address was the I would be replaced by "threeto five-year strategic agreements". However, that more stable system would not stop au-thorities taking work away

from trusts failing to meet quality standards "Sometimes it will be painful, or embarrassing, but you would not expect us to com-

mit ourselves to anything less," Ms Jowell said. Later, she explained that quality monitoring would be a continual process. Failing trusts would be helped to im-

prove, but as a last resort would have strategy agree-ments cancelled. "We would trusts not providing services of an acceptable standard." vate sector partnerships to design and build hospitals. of an acceptable standard."

Marco Cereste, the federation's chairman, who also chairs North West Anglia Healthcare trust, told the conference that trusts should not provide "shop windows" for politicians "looking for a soap-box to stand on" in the run-up to the general election. He called on the Government to "sort out" the private finance initiative by which the private sector is being invited to build and manage new NHS hospitals. With no contracts yet signed he said it was fast becoming the "pe-Ms Jowell said Labour would ditch the Governexpect health authorities to ment's version of the initia-withdraw commissions from tive, but would welcome pri-

#### Big retailers plan 'drive-in' shopping to brighten grim car parks

#### Community Affairs Editor

AFTER the shopping mall with the airport or railway station attached ... coming soon to a town centre near you may be a car park com-plete with shops and cafes. Some of Britain's biggest

retailers are considering the nearest thing to drive-in shopping — a multi-storey experi-ence which aims to transform the concrete monstrosities into consumer fun palaces with creches, flower stalls, booksellers, and kiosks sell-ing ties and socks. The idea is that if you can't

get cars any nearer to shopping centres, put the shopning centres nearer the cars. Boots, Sainsbury's and people using town centres.

Marks & Spencer are among chains aiming to wrest control of town centre car, parks cluding better public transchains aiming to wrest con-trol of town centre car, parks from councils or big private operators.

Deals to allow parking for local residents and users of evening entertainment centres such as bowling alleys should also be more widespread, said companies calling for 24-hour use of car

They pointed to experiments such as car valeting services in car parks in Nottingham and Stevenage, while electric buggies, also in Nottingham, help disabled drivers or people with heavy shopping loads to their cars.

The companies denied they are increasing the car culture and said poor parking deters

cluding better public transport, more pedestrian-friendly zones and better security measures such as closed-circuit television to at-



The reporter who hunted Rosebud in Citizen Kane was called Thompson. Orson Welles' new biographer is called Thomson. Are we any closer to what it all means? Jonathan Romney

his dominance

KDP officials say they wan

the Western humanitarian effort, under the aerial um-brella of Operation Provide Comfort, to continue. But for-

eign charities operating in

the region are worried about their ability to function under

Many non-governmental organisations say they are concerned about Turkish-Iraqi collusion and the intimidation of local staff.

"Aid agencies are all going to have to decide whether they can carry on if Baghdad is in control," a Mines Advisory Group spokesman said.

Terry Giles of Save the Children said: "Ristory has shown that the level of feer

shown that the level of fear amongst the Iraqi Kurds can-

not be understated. That is

why we are calling upon the

sure the local populations of their safety."

However, there were signs

yesterday that the feared mass exodus of refugees was not going to materialise. After the KDP captured the PUK stronghold of Sulayman-

sands of Kurds streamed towards Iran, but many have

returned home. Yesterday, 5,000 refugees set up camp on

the Iranian side of the border

regional power to achieve regional stability and restore

balance with other countries

The US secretary of state

Warren Christopher, will

make urgent calls this week

urge them to stand firm to

prevent the collapse of the De-

Baghdad. Any public breaking of ranks could affect Pres-

ident Clinton's re-election

night for President Saddam.

At the very least, the Arab

League will repeat its criti-

cism of the US - a move which Baghdad will interpret

in the region".

after they said KDP peshme gas had killed four people.

National Congress said. "And his annesty is not worth the

going President Saddam's way: trade between Kurdistan

and the rest of the country is

expected to pick up, and the dinar has already strength-

Most Iraqi regular forces nave withdrawn from Kurdi-

inevitably reassert

take Irbil from the rival Patri-

otic Union of Kurdistan (PUK) on August 31, although large numbers of agents of the feared mukhabarat secret

The key question is whether, having used Presi-dent Saddam to help defeat

the PUK Mr Barzani will be

able simultaneously to keep him at bay, maintain Western

support, and heal Kurdish divisions. This seems

"Once Saddam is back-you can't play this kind of game any more," said one Western

Some members of the

league are now inclining

towards a resumption of dip-lomatic relations with Bagh-

dad, although full restoration

is unlikely because Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, bolstered

by US pressure and tempered

by their recent experiences of the Iraqi regime, will resist

Qatar and Oman have al-

ready reopened their embas-sies in Baghdad. But most

worrying for Washington are diplomatic rumblings from Calro, where President Hosni

Mubarak believes the time is

fast approaching to repair

In Cairo yesterday, a for-

links with Baghdad.

their solidarity.

such a move

police are still in the area.

ened against the US dollar.

'He will eat up

the north and

his dominance'

aper it's printed on."
But things do appe

WINDLING Western

influence in north ern Iraq suffered a

further blow yester-the Kurdish faction

"Saddam's actions are ex-

State department officials Washington are increas-

ingly concerned that the

isters in Cairo this Saturday

will drive a further wedge in

the international alliance against President Saddam.

sile strikes against Iraq were loudly and unanimously con-

demned by the Arab League, prompting the Iraqi informa-tion minister, Abdel Ghani

Abdel Ghafoor, to praise his

The recent US cruise mis-

neeting of Arab foreign min-



Kurdistan Democratic Party fighters watch refugees head for Iran after Sulaymaniyah fell on Monday, but many have returned photograph: NURI KAYNAR

Phil Gunson reports from Atoyac de Alvarez on backing for guerrillas in a community that still likes, or needs, its heroes

Atoyac de Alvarez, the town in Guerrero state where his guerrilla struggle was born nearly 30 years ago. But the legend of the rural

schoolteacher-turned-guerrilla leader, whom local people respectfully refer to as "el prohere as when he died at the hands of the army in 1974.

"As far as I'm concerned, he never was killed," concommon belief. "I believe he vent to Cuha."

— his ideals are alive," added a local priest, Máximo Gómez, for whom the latest outbreak of guerrilla war in Mexico forms part of a tradition stretching back to "It is utterly justified," said Father Gómez, who was present on June 28 when the pre-

**News in brief** 

terday said it had captured the country's main eastern

town of Jalalahad only a few

hours after it had been seized

Government troops had

entered the previously neu-tral city to stop the Taliban advance. More were being

flown there as the attack took

An Afghan government

spokesman accused neigh-bouring Pakistan of alding

the Taliban advance, signal-

ling a return to frosty rela-tions between the two

governments.
The Afghan government

claimed Taliban fighters

entered the city from the Kho-

giani district to the west and from the border with Paki-

HERE is no monument memorial service for victims banas's Party of the Poor to Lucio Cabanas in of a massacre near here. (PDLP) in the 1970s, the It was, the priest said, "an agreeable surprise" to see that the people now have an army that's on their side.
The government describes

mayor pointed out, the gov-ernment suddenly started to pay attention to local needs. Roads, schools and clinics were built, and electricity and telephone services provided.
"The guerrillas achieved all
this," Mr Rojas said.

'It was an agreeable surprise to see the people now have an army - the Popular Revolutionary Army - that's on their side'

But in these Guerrero com-

have support," said the mayor of Atoyac, Wilebaldo Rojas. "If not, how do they

Taliban puppets to wage war in Jalalabad".

Pakistan denies helping the

Taliban and says it has no

favourities among the Afghan factions, most of which it

1980s. The Taliban, which has had

Kabul under siege for the past year, has pledged to install a purist Islamic order through-

out Afghanistan if it comes to

It is now believed to be

eager to attack Sarobi, a

stronghold of the faction of the prime minister, Gulbud-

din Hekmatyar, about 40

miles east of Kabul and mid way between the capital and Jalalabad. — Reuter.

helped during the war again Soviet occupation in the

Jones, who on Monday of-fered Mexico intelligence as-peared" — more than half of sistance and training to com-Now there is no medicine, no doctors, and power cuts last up to a month in the rainy season.

The collapse of the coffee and copra industries brought unemployment and despair, exacerbated by reforms which

back then."

deam of Cabanas and later merged with another small leftwing group, the Procup. These appear to form the nu-cleus of the EPR, perhaps with the more radical ele-

The PRD leader was pres ent in 1967, aged 16, when police attacked a peaceful pro-test in Atoyae by teachers and parents calling for the dismissal of a headmaster. They

It was the turning point for Cabanas, who had addressed the meeting and narrowly es caped with his life. In 1995 another group

to Atoyac, was ambushed and 17 people were killed by police. Some see that incident as proof that little has

Ruben Figueroa, who was forced to resign as state gov-ernor over the massacre but Guerrero, is the son of the governor who oversaw the

dirty war of the 1970s.

'The situation is desperate," Mr Rojas said. "In the miserable conditions these people live in, when someone **Dole lowers aim in fight** for moral high ground

signs for the United States yesterday that Saddam Hussein's Arab foes were nudging towards repair-ing their rift with Baghdad. killed nine people.

demonstrators, on their way

struggle, the chances are they'll take up the offer." The mayor is gloomy about the prospects: "This conflict

Martin Walker in Washington

HE Republican Bob Dole relaunched his faltering presidential challenge yesterday, proclaiming a "moral crisis" and targeting the personal character of ident Bill Clinton.

The campaign includes tele-vision advertisements in which the retired general Colin Powell declares Mr Dole to be "the better man". The relaunch was forced upon Mr Dole by his former

Republican colleagues in Con-gress, who told him yesterday at a crisis meeting in Wash-ington that his lacklustre campaign threatened to bring him down along with the fragile Republican majority.
"If we have a meltdown, then I'm going to get wor ried," the Republican whip

Tom DeLay of Texas, said after lobbying by Republicans who were elected with narrow margins in the party's 1994 congressional landslide.

lanned as the hallmark of his campaign, has been widely criticised by econo-mists and has gained little CNN-USA Today opinion poll yesterday showed Mr Dole 21 points behind Mr Clinton.

The stage seems set for a dirtier and more personal campaign, in contrast to Mr Dole's insistence at the party convention last month that Mr Clinton was "my opponent, not my enemy".

In the latest television ad-

vert, Mr Powell says: "Bob Dole is the candidate most qualified by his beliefs, by his character and competence to be the next president."

He continues: "There is a moral crisis in America. Drug use is up. The wrong messages are being sent to

our vonth " The adverts have been crafted by Mr Dole's new team, Alex Castellanos and

Mr Dole's promise of a strategists resigned. Mr Cas-15 per cent income tax cut, tellanos is best known for an openly racist television advertisement for Senator Jesse Helms in 1990, which showed a pair of white hands crumpling a job application on learning that a black applicant had been hired through affirmative action.

Meanwhile, Bill Bennett, a drug policy co-ordinator under Ronald Reagan, has been recruited to the campaign. He gave the moralistic stump speech in Louisiana on Tuesday, introducing Mr Dole by asking: "What is more im-portant than the character of our president?

Mr Dole said a second Clin-ton term "would mean higher taxes and more teenagers using drugs, a government run health care system, more liberal judges, an economy more and more and more government all down the line Mr Dole added: "Let's build a bridge to Little Rock, Ar-Greg Stevens, who were hired kansas, and send Bill Clinton last week after his media back."

# Texas Romeo and Juliet

Jonathan Freedle in Washington

ural Born Killers. Top Gun, the bizarre story of two teenage sweethearts who murdered for love has transfixed the people of Texas.

At the drama's centre are David Graham and Diane Zamora, both aged 18 and recruits to two of the United States' elite military

Model students from the the way of their love.

Mr Graham, a first-year cadet at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, and Ms Zamora, a midshipman at the US Naval Academy in Annapo-lis, Maryland, have admitad a one-off fling with Mr

der were "his gollt, her anger and their passion for each other", police detec-tive Alan Patton said. The two had become

colleges. This summer set their wedding for August 13 2000 — the day they were

So Mr Graham picked up ing in the car boot and Annapolis durin when they arrived at a "truth or dare".

ted killing Adrianne Jones, remote spot in Grand Prai-a successful athlete who rie, Texas, she leaped out rie. Texas, she leaped out and beat her with an exercise barbell. When Adrianne seemed

about to escape, Mr Gra-ham shot her in the head twice. The pair left her to die.
"The first thing out of our mouths was 'I love you'," Mr Graham said in his confession. Ms Zamora

had added: "We shouldn't have done that."

They nearly got away with it. A local youth was charged with the killing, but released in January after he passed a lie-detector test.

Even though Ms Zamora admitted the killing to Jay Guild, a fellow midshipman at Annapolis, he kept quiet, saying he, too, was

confessed to classmates at

#### 1968 caused Comandantes Lu-cio Cabañas and Genaro Vázists with no social base, a view echoed by the United quez to take up arms against States ambassador, James After the war, during which

munities they are not dismissed so lightly.

the left-of-centre Party of the Democratic Revolution (PRD)

ments of the Chiapas-based

In its first manifesto, the

EPR leadership said today's

circumstances were "similar to those which in 1967 and

Zapatistas.

tiago, who fought alongside Cabañas and is the leader of

Tradition supports Mexico's new rebels Arabs edge closer to Iraq

### in those years was the was no real opposition party | arrives proposing armed The fact that Mexico is viously unknown Popular feed themselves?" Revolutionary Army (EPR) While security forces and credit mechanisms. The mayor is gloor party system, Mr Santiago the prospects: "This made its first appearance at a waged a dirty war against Ca- The PDLP survived the said, means the armed can only get worse."

An inmate at the alligator park in Bejjing seals the fate of one of the chicks regularly sold

trawler fishing illegally in Portuguese waters. — Reuter.

#### Mass grave yields first body

Rebel Afghanistan militia

AFGHANISTAN'S rebel Ta-liban Islamic militia yes-"hatching a conspiracy for

take control of key town

as 260 bodies from a mass grave in Serb-held eastern Croatia.

William Haglund, the chief investigator, said: "We're going to have to wait until we've removed all the bodies and conducted autonsies to determine the exact cause of

Dr Haglund and his team cians for Human Rights via has refused to hand them group began excavating the over for trial. - Reuter.

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WAR CRIMES investigators have removed the first of what could be as many week ago. They suspect it is week ago. They suspect it is the single largest mass grave in former Yugoslavia.

The people buried are be-lieved to be non-Serb civilians massacred by a group of Yugoslav National Army (JNA) officers after the fall of

Vukovar in November 1991. The international war has indicted three JNA officers for the massacre, but Yugosla-

Beryl Bainbridge sees the Titanic's

London News, a project grown out

of naive Edwardian grandiloquence.

maiden voyage as an adventure

straight out of the Illustrated

#### Backlash fear in Bangladesh

Army soldiers backed by helicopters yesterday began searching for five people missing after tribal rebels in Bangladesh's Chittagong hill tracts killed 30 Bengali-speak-

ing settlers.
The killings have raised fears of a backlash against the Shanti Bahini guerrillas who abducted the settlers late on Monday. - Reuter.

lberian row Spain yesterday accused Portugal of using excessive force in the shooting of two Spanish fishermen on Tuesday, when a navy vessel was chasing a

### Wiretap claim

Palestinian police said yester-day they had dug up more than 10 wiretapping devices, con-nected to telephone lines lead-ing to a police switchboard, which they accuse Israel of planting around their Gaza City headquarters. — AP. **Murder charge** A United States serviceman

in South Korea is to be charged with the murder of a local woman found stabbed in

a boarding house near a US base on Saturday, a statement said yesterday. — Reuter. Hapless mechanic A court in Yunnan, southwest China, has ordered the execution of a peasant who killed five people by rolling

#### rocks on to a road hoping they would damage passing vehi-cles, which he could later fix for money. -- AP.

**Herd instinct** 

Five wild elephants drowned in the storm-swollen Teesta River in West Bengal as they tried to rescue a calf that had been swept away in the cur-rent, the Hindustan Times newspaper reported yester-day. The calf survived. — AP.

#### Yeltsin can take heart

ACAUCASUS woman is ready — quite literally — to give her heart to Russia's President Borls Yeltsin if doctors should decide he needs a Zinaida Boliyeva, aged 46,

who lives in the autono region of North Ossetia, close to breakaway Chechenia, made her offer yesterday to the local office of the pro-gov-ernment movement Our Home is Russia. She asked that it be conveyed to the head of the country's top carliological clinic.

"The Russian president most have a healthy heart and be able to work hard," she said. "He has to continue the course of democratic reforms and economic transformations which he has launched. It is not a self-sacrifice, but a common-sense

But the offer seems unlikely to be taken up. Mr Yeli-sin said last week he had agreed to have heart surgery at the end of this month, but doctors claim it will be a relatively routine bypass operation rather than anything more complicated, -- Reuter.

# learn how to kill for love

small town of Mansfield, Texas, the pair have stunned the whole state by confessing to the murder of a 16-year-old who stood in

The motives for the mur-

lovers after they met at a civil air patrol party several years ago. Sharing a passion for aeroplanes and physics, they applied for their respective military

to graduate. But last autumn Mr Graham slipped. He had a brief sexual encounter with Adrianne. When Ms Za-mora found out, she demanded that the rival be

Adrianne, supposedly for a date. Ms Zamora was hid-

struck" The story emerged last month, when Ms Zamora

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### Town's hunger is worst of war

HE skeletal, swollen-bellied children (pic-tured left) discovered in the western Liberian town of Tubmanburg show some of the worst symp-toms of malnutrition seen in almost seven years of civil war, aid workers say.

The children, 150 of whom have been evacuated to a special feeding centre in the capital, Monrovia, were among thousands of starving civilians discovered by aid workers in the town, which had been cut off by the civil war since February. Food is now being the thing the time of the civil war since february.

being shuttled in by road. "This is the worst thing we have seen in the sevenyear history of the war in Liberia," one worker with the United Nations children's fund (Unicef) said.

The precise death toll is unclear but locals speak of up to 16 people dying each day before help arrived.

Aid workers, who esti-mate that more than 80 per cent of the 35,000 population is seriously malnourished, say hundreds of hungry ci-vilians have emerged from the forest looking for food as word of the relief operation

Workers expect to find more pockets of hunger in isolated parts of the country. — Reuter.

### Refugees prepare to cast vote for the past

#### **Julian Borger** in Sarajevo

■ URMIJA MUJIC is not sure what the Bosnian elections are about, but she has a hunch they will not change very much. Mostly, she wishes they would not make so much noise.

With two days to go before voting, cars have begun cruis-ing the Sarajevo neighbourwhere Hurmija lives, ing green flags and broadcast-ing the slogans of the Muslim Party of Democratic Action.

Hurmija, aged 12, from Sre-brenica, can hear them pass back and forth under her window, and she has already had enough. "SDA, SDA, SDA." She makes a bored face as she mimics the monotony of the electoral process. Hurmija has no easy escape

from the din. A piece of shrap-nel lodged in her spine has paralysed her from the chest down. It is difficult to get about, but not impossible. The support of British charities (and several thousand pounds donated by Guardian readers) meant Hurmija could spend five months this year in a rehabilitation clinic

in Oswestry, Shropshire. The treatment was never expected to cure her — the shrapnel has damaged the nerve, and attempting to remove it would probably do more harm than good - but it has given her some independence and some hope. She can walk around her flat with the help of a lower-body brace. and her three sisters and brother take her to school in a

"It makes an enormous dif-ference. She can go to school, skills to help them survive in into one of her customary and she can be with other towns.

children. And she goes to physical therapy. She has something to keep her back straight, so she can sit, and eldest sons look down at her walk — almost everything she wants to," said Hurmija's been missing since the Bosnian Serb army captured Sremother, Alkuna. Since returning from Britbrenica in July 1995, and are ain, life for the Mujic family presumed to be among the estimated 8.000 Muslim men

has improved in other They used to share their two-room flat with another refugee family. But the second family moved out recently to take over a for ica, now in Serb hands. She merly Serb-owned flat, and so has applied for an absentee

hemselves.
Sergeant-Major Vic Fergublaring oriental music, trail- took Hurmija under his wing and organised her medical evacuation, stays in touch has been set up in a village eight miles south of Srebren-

now have the place to

'If we force the Serbs out, one way or another. I will be the first back

from Vicenza, Italy, where he

His crusade for Hurmija has snowballed into a permanent army-based charity, Kids In Difficult Situations (KIDS), which is now helping to find medical care in the West for Bosnian children with life-threatening

But the family's situation, like that of the 400,000 other refugees in Sarajevo (40 per cent of the population) remains desperate. Since the end of the war, humanitarian rations have diminished.

Hurmija's sister Mejiva cleaner. But her mother has no job. The refugees from Sreern Bosnia are from farms and villages. They have few

### Isles enjoy rich reward for failing to secede

Jon Henley visits the Aland islands in the Baltic, a Finnish showcase of self-rule, in the last in a series on regionalism

government have, ironically, left them better off than if they had succeeded. "Look at Gotland," said Peter Lindback, head of the islands' civil service. "That's

postcard capital, Mariehamn (population 10,418), the leaves are already changing colour, and a chill Baltic wind tugs at the few remaining B&B signs left swinging outside painted

The holidaymakers who come in their thousands from Finland and Sweden have gone, until next summer. It is time for the 25,000 inhabitants of the islands — correctly known as the "demilitarised, unilingually Swedish and au-tonomous region of Aland" —

visitors. In recent years, this scatterthe mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia has welcomed delegations from Armenia, Northern Ireland, Wales, Moldova, Italy, Lithuania, Azerbaijan and

UTUMN comes early to | foreign minister came to see Aland. In the well-tended | if any lessons could be applied to the Falkland Islands. The Israelis have come often with options for Palestinian self-rule in mind - as have the Hungarians, worried about their minorities in Romania and Slovakia

"It's become really quite popular," said Lars Ingmar Johansson, secretary-general of the 30-seat Aland parliament. "We're known as the 'Aland model'. They obvi-ously believe there's some-On the surface, at least, here is. Since 1921, Aland has vote. But their polling station to prepare for more exotic been an autonomous province of Finland, its status originally guaranteed by the

> While the islanders cam-paigned until the mid-1950s for union with Sweden — to which they are far closer in history, language and culture

another island off the coast of Sweden. It's the same sort of size, had the same sort of population, but now it's just a summer place — people from Stockholm open up the shops for July and August, then the whole place closes down. We run our own affairs, and we're a going concern.`

Aland passes its own laws and sets its own budget in almost all areas except foreign affairs, the courts, and customs and tax collection where Finnish laws apply. An MP elected by the islanders sits in the Helsinki parliament, and any proposed must be approved by the signed to protect our minor-Aland parliament.

Bolstered by a strong tourism industry that brings in more than 1 million visitors a nistory, language and culture is thriving. Gross national After nearly 75 years of excondition Nagorno-Karabakh – successive autonomy acts product per head is about ploiting their special status to could also be an autonomous

European Union average. while unemployment stands at 4 per cent — less than a at 4 per cent quarter of Finland's.
"Our autonomy

ity Swedish language and culture to isolate us from the dominant Finnish influence in effect, to build a wall around ourselves," Mr Lindyear, and a disproportion-ately large shipping fleet of back said. "But we're good at climbing walls."

most successful piece of nego tiation may have come last year, when it secured special conditions for itself as part of Finland's entry into the EU. Aland has ensured that it will be outside the EU's tax union from 1999. From next year, it will also have a tax border with Finland — a headache for small

businesses since 75 per cent of trade is with Finland, but a further guarantee of economic survival.

Most islanders say they
would not now want full inde-

pendence. "We could probably manage alone economically, but the price would be high," Mr Lindback said.

But as foreign dignitaries and fact-finding missions take the Aland ferry, many islanders also wonder if their for-

'It's a pretty good model for us, and I think people can learn from it," said Barbro Sundback, a local MP. "But all countries are different. As the representative from Nagorno-Karabakh said, he'd love our arrangement — on Two years ago, Argentina's | negotiated with the Finnish | 25 per cent higher than the | meet their needs, Aland's | province of Finland."

### Whites choose |Sportscaster adds insult township tactic to China's Olympic injury

#### Chris McGreal

TEPHANIE MILLER

Like many of her neigh-bours in one of Johannes-burg's wealthiest white suburbs. Mrs Miller is refusing to pay her local council rates a tactic favoured by black South Africans during the

The government has responded by threatening to

rica, but this is too much, she says. "Just because we've got a little money doesn't mean the government should

water and electricity, but I'm not afraid to pee at the bottom of the garden, and they'll had not known who was to be | have to empty the pool to stop me washing Almost all Johannesburg

white — have received higher rates bills. But Sandton's residents face a sharper rise be-cause the suburb's former local council kept rates artifi-cially low by shunning routine services.

"Sandton ran economically for a long time by doing without a lot of things like street lights, a postal service and buses," says Brian Stolzenberg, the treasurer of Sandton Federation of Ratepayers.

around in our own cars. And if our wives needed to get about we could buy her a little car too. There was no need

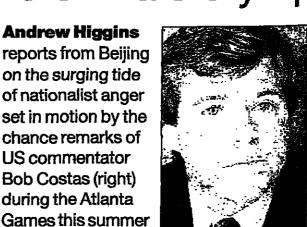
separated from Sandton by not much more than a dual carriageway. Many residents there are now paying their rates after years of boycotting apartheid councils

to do without some services, but during apartheid, Alexandra had no choice: until recently, many homes were without electricity, running water or effective policing. Sandton's extra payments

Zedong. The unwitting descent into infamy of the US answer to David Coleman began in July at the open-But the provincial affairs minister, Mohammed Valli ing ceremony of the Olym-pic Games in Atlanta. Commenting on the procession of athletes into the stadium for the television network NBC, Mr Costas uttered what some regard as little

short of a declaration of war. they will cope with choked toilets and bathing from buck-His remarks touched raw nerve in a country still stewing over its failed bid to host the 2000 Olympic Games in Beijing and in-

they'll be knee-deep in you emergence as a great know what in their own coun-



HINA has a new pub | greeted the entry of the Chinese Olympic team with the words: Every ecolic enemy number one. He is Bao-bo Kenomic power, including the United States, wants to tap Bob Costas, a soft-spoken sportscaster on United into that huge potential market — but of course Denounced in the official there are problems with press, taken to task by the

human rights, property rights disputes, and the threat posed to Taiwan." He later mentioned suspicions that some Chinese athletes may have taken performance-enhancing

drugs. No one in China actually niversary of the death of heard the offending the Great Helmsman, Mao remarks. But, thanks to Chinese students living in the US and the official Xinhua News Agency, China has been whipped into a lather of indignation.

"He has gravely polluted the Olympic spirit and deeply hurt the feelings of countless television view-ers around the world." thundered Beijing Youth Weekly in a four-page tirade. "Costas and NBC should have the courage to make a public apology for their loathsome prejudice and unfriendly acts."

The first blast of Chinese anger came in the form of a Washington Post advertisement featuring a lengthy protest letter signed by a

and other specialists".

Then China's foreign ministry jumped in with a formal protest. 'It is hoped that NBC will draw lessons and make sure there will be no recurrence of things like that." it said.

NBC, whose parent com-pany General Electric has hundreds of millions of pounds invested in China, tried to calm the storm with an apology for any

"hurt feelings". The network's vice-president for sports, Ed Markey, wrote a letter saying Mr Costas "did not intend any disrespect to the People's Republic of China or its citizens".

But the apology was denounced as "insincere" and "too short". A second advertisement, this time in the New York Times, demanded unconditional selfcriticism from the sportscaster himself — both in writing and on prime-time television.

NBC's often chauvinistic coverage of the Olympics was widely decried by critics in the US and overseas. But only in China, where anti-Americanism has reached its highest pitch for many years, has the issue aroused so much sus-tained passion. "For the time being, there is no way

in sight to calm down this incident," said Beijing Youth Weekly.

Instead of performing the Maoist ritual of self-criti-cism as demanded by his opted instead for an all-American solution: he appeared on NBC's Tonight Show to defend himself, claiming that his Olympic commentary had been fac-

tual and pertinent. China again took offence. "His remarks ignited new indignation among the protesters," fumed Xinhua last

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### Porn video splits Monaco royals

Alex Duval Smith in Parls

PRINCESS Stephanie of Monaco yesterday appeared to be living up to her family's habit of out-doing all other royal scandals when she was reported to be planning to divorce

filmed frolicking by a pool with Miss Erotic Belgium.
Princess Stephanie's lawyer, Thierry Lacoste, last night refused to confirm that divorce was anything that divorce was anything more than "a possibility". But her formal separation from Daniel Ducruet seemed increasingly un-avoidable after an Italian porn channel showed him cavorting with a 26-year-old erotic dancer.

rumours that the princess's monger who met the prin-cess when he worked as her Stephanie's mother, Prinbodyguard, has never won cess Grace.

the approval of Prince Rainier. The couple mar-ried in July last year. nearly three years after the first of their two children

was born. Rumours abounded yes-terday that Mr Ducruet had been set up by associates of Muriel Houteman — the 1995 winner of Miss Erotic Belgium under the pseud-onym Sharon — after he had made himself unpopular with the principality's

business community.
The film, broadcast two weeks ago on an Italian cable television channel, reportedly shows Ms Houteman seducing Mr Du-cruet on August 5 by the pool of a villa she had rented in Villefranche-sur-

The divorce, if confirmed, The royal palace in Monaco refused to confirm will be the latest example of what has become known father, Prince Rainier III, as "the curse of the Grimalhad demanded the divorce. dis" - 25 years of tragedy Mr Ducruet, a former fish- starting with the death in a

#### | Mafia 'link' made to Belgian scandai

and boys executed in the days

Ms Mujic hopes the elec-

tions will somehow pave the

way for a return to Srebren-

rajevo polling station for a

Others will take special

ica, in the interests of avoid-

ing clashes between the

returning Muslims and the

Serbs now living in their

houses. There are likely to be protests when the Muslims

discover that that will be the

There is less incentive to go

now. The only hope was to win the municipal council,

but the local elections have

been postponed. Ms Mujic will vote for Muslim candi-

dates on Saturday, and then

again in the local elections,

"If we force the Serbs out

one way or another, then I will be the first back," she

said. "I've had enough of

being a refugee. We had some big fields near town, and a life

Hurmija has no illusions about the chances of going

home. Her last memories of

Srehrenica are from her

emergency evacuation after

she was cut down by a mortar

yards from the family house

"I don't ever want to go back. It will never be poss-

in October 1994.

now expected in November.

closest they get to their for-

mer homes.

candidate in Srebrenica.

Ms Mujic and the children hallot so she can vote in a Sa-

Stephen Bates in Brussels

MAFIA connection in the Akilling of the former Belgian deputy prime minister André Cools appeared to have been established yesterday. The lawyer of Domenico Castellino, one of six men arrested in connection with the 1991 shooting, said his client had travelled to Sicily to recruit two professional assassins but that Mr Castellino

The political scandal has forced the resignation of four government ministers and Willy Claes, the former Nato

secretary-general.

A judge in Liège ordered the suspects, arrested last weekend, to be detained for further questioning, refusing an application for release by Alain van der Biest, a former regional government minister and protegé of Cools. Mr Van der Biest's former chauffeur was arrested yes-

terday when he returned

### collect our letters from the post office or to trundle

#### in Johannesburg

says that if the blacks can cope then she can too. If the worst comes to the | heads like a bus service." worst, she will wash in her swimming pool.

apartheid era.
The residents of Sandton –

renowned for its ritzy shopping malls and palatial homes bordering one of the coun try's most crowded, poverty stricken townships — are up set at the tripling of their bills by Johannesburg's new, nonracial council.

adopt the former regime's method of handling township boycotts: severing power, sewage and other services.

Mrs Miller is undaunted "I'm all for the new South Af

have it all.
"We're not as soft as they think. They can cut off my

homeowners — black and

"We were quite happy to cil offices," he says.

### **Andrew Higgins** reports from Beijing

#### for all these extravagant over-The protest wins little sympathy in Alexandra township

Sandton may have elected

#### How will they cope with choked toilets when they're lost on the maid's day off?

are to be pooled in a redistribution fund to upgrade de-prived townships, including Alexandra and Soweto. Support for the boycott now includes big business.

Moosa, warns Sandton's residents that they face hardships. "Black communities embarked on the boycott as part of the liberation struggle. It brought hardship to the boycotters and great costs to the residents themselves."

He does not believe Sandton's residents will manage.

Others agree, wondering how

ets when many seem lost on the maid's day off. But Mr Stolzenberg believes they are up to it. 'Let them try and cut the sewage off and creasingly convinced of a US-led plot to thwart its

Mr Costas apparently ing to represent 70,000 "Chi-

States television.

Chinese foreign ministry

net. Mr Costas has become

China's model "ugly Amer-

ican", the target of angry polemic and a fitting focus

for a surge of nationalism encouraged by the 10th an-

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### Friends but not lovers

The unions still have influence over Labour

unions and the Labour Party are heading for the divorce courts on the basis of their spats during the TUC conference at Blackpool. But, equally clearly, Tony Blair means what he says when he pledges a future Labour administration to govern not for any sectional interest, but for the whole country. This is not just a pre-electoral bribe to win over floating voters (though, doubtless, it is that as well) but a fundamental repositioning of the Labour Party. The relations between Labour and its historic paymasters may never be the same again and it can only be a matter of time before some of the unions start pondering whether their continued funding of the Labour Party is the most cost-effective use of members' funds.

Curiously, the unions are more influential with Labour these days than they think they are. Sure, the days are gone when the union barons thrust on the government of the day their views on everything from incomes policies (several of which were negotiated with Conservative as well as Labour administrations) to Christmas bonuses for pensioners. Gone too are the days when unions had nominees on every quango from the Bank of England down to the committee investigating the teaching of maths in primary and secondary schools (which in 1978 boasted Hugh Scanlon, leader of the engineering union, among its members). In those days some of the unions' biggest triumphs were negative as when the then Prime Minister, Harold Wilson, told the same Hugh Scanlon to take his tanks off his lawn after the unions forced Wilson to ditch Barbara Castle's union-reforming legislation In Place of Strife. If that legislation had been passed the political history of the last 25 years might have been very different.

sort of power, but their influence is still | change of government.

IT WOULD be silly to suggest that the | considerable. Thanks to their efforts a future Labour government is pledged not just to establish a legal right to belong to a trade union but also to introduce a national minimum wage, a major piece of reforming legislation that will boost the wages of the low paid (depending at what level it is pitched) by billions of pounds. Surely that alone justifies most of the annual subvention from the unions to Labour. It shows that Labour still listens to the unions with a sympathetic ear — in contrast to Mrs Thatcher who contemptuously ignored not only the unions but also the Confederation of British Industry for most of the 1980s.

Whether it is possible to represent the whole of Britain rather than sectoral interests remains to be seen but it is not an ignoble aim. And, as it happens, deciding at what level the minimum wage should be set will provide a good test case. The TUC was absolutely within its rights to suggest £4.26p an hour since that figure is not being imposed on Labour but is merely the TUC's pitch to Labour's proposed Commission which will also receive submissions from the CBI and dozens of other organisations. A decent minimum wage is the hallmark of a civilised society. Britain can afford to move towards the TUC's target, albeit in stages, without generating unacceptable unemploy-ment — as long as trade unions don't seize the opportunity to restore their lost differentials — in which case we could be catapulted back into a wageprice spiral of inflation that could destabilise the economy whether we are in or out of Europe's single currency. Rights carry responsibilities. If the unions - and the employers - accepted and acted on this principle then New Labour's task of governing in everyone's interests wouldn't be half as The unions have long since lost that difficult as it is going to be if there is a



Can the BBC's portrait project values and not mere images?

verdict on March 27, 1902, the day after he died in the closing weeks of the Boer War. G K Chesterton was much harsher. Rhodes had "invoked slaughter, violated justice and ruined republics." Opinions have fluctuated since then. Early editions of the Encyclopaedia Britannica praised him for saying that the British empire was a great force working for the universal good. The current edition notes critically his belief that the black peoples could never become civilised. Biographical opinion has ranged from Rhodes the Man of Vision to Rhodes the Archimperialist, with a middle view that he must be seen in the context of his time. How does the BBC's series, starting on Sunday, approach the subject?

A production described by its makers as a "£10 million epic drama" is evidently not the same thing as a documentary, but with the emergence of a new South Africa it reopens a very relevant page of history at a particularly important time. It will clearly offer a superb visual experience: great pains have been taken to recreate authentic locations, from the shanty town at the Kimberley mines to the great pire-building, fail to make gripping good tale.

CECIL RHODES, in this newspaper's drama, Authentic records, we are told. view, was a shallow patriot who did have been used whenever possible. How more than any other Englishman to | far this adds up to an experience which lower the reputation of the British is historically as well as dramatically empire. That, at any rate, was our enriching remains to be seen. The programme's creator Antony Thomas has described his years of research as a 'descent into evil." Yet on the screen it can be hard to prevent an anti-hero assuming some heroic aspects: the BBC's publicity talks of his "breathtak-

ing" vision and "unique charisma." Rhodes was one of a number of merchant-adventurers who pushed a not unwilling British government to extend its empire by means which were ruthless and treacherous. In doing so, it destroyed entire cultures: African history, in the words of Basil Davidson, became an "unknown continent" which we have to re-explore. Will this film which the ANC is said to have approved

– take us much further? It does show how Rhodes created the seeds of apartheid in the 1894 Glen Grey legislation, but the systematic dismantling of black society remains outside its narrative frame. BBC Education has produced a useful guide to some of the main issues. and there is a video-pack for schools on Cecil Rhodes and the Legacy of Empire. But most viewers are likely to stick to what they see. In an age of epic - and costly — TV drama, the challenge for their makers is to provide ideas as well kraal of the Matabeles. Nor can a tale | as images which can capture our imagiwhich embraces diamonds and gold, nation. We must wait and see whether intrigue and deceit, conflict and em- Rhodes is much more than a rattling

### The Indian tiger in mortal danger

An effective campaign against poachers is now crucial

INDIA was accused of creating paper | This is not the first time the tiger has tigers yesterday — and the World Wide Fund for Nature of covering up the crime. The dispute between WWF and the Tiger Trust, a small pressure group which produced yesterday's report, can be set to one side because both agree the tiger is under threat. Having survived centuries of hunting parties and decades of changing habitat, the big cat is finally succumbing to the Chinese financed poaching trade. Each animal is said to be worth £30,000 to the illicit traders, with virtually every part of the body - including the bones which are ground up - used for a variety of purposes: warding off evil spirits, virility, seeing in the dark. A booming economy has given the Chinese people much more money to spend on such traditional "medicines". No-one should ignore the threat. Of the eight original tiger species in the world, three are

already extinct.

faced extinction in India. Two decades ago there was a similar crisis which was averted when the Indian Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi, launched a preservation programme that produced 23 special reserves. But complacency. corruption and the complicity of some communities whose livestock is threatened by the big cat, has produced a second crisis made more complex by the money which poaching generates. A recent survey of the tiger reserves found 75 per cent did not have an effective anti-poaching force. Africa's campaign against rhino poachers has demonstrated the difficulties of achieving effective anti-poaching strategies. But if man is to preserve such magnificent species, their success is crucial The first step must be recognition of the problem. At least yesterday's row will make it more difficult to hide the problem posed by poachers.



#### Letters to the Editor

### A dispute breaks out over unions Taxpayers in a hole

wrote or said in your ac-count of events at Blackpool (Unions seethe over union policy fiasco, September 11). In my article and press release, I argued for a new climate of cooperation to prevent genuine disagreements erupting into disputes. I suggested that we needed to talk with unions, employers and consumers of public services about ways to esolve disputes before they turn into strikes.

I want to discuss how we can encourage binding arbi-tration to be agreed voluntarily as part of agreements between employers and em-ployees, so that when there is a dispute about how an agreement is interpreted. ACAS can arbitrate. These are voluntary, not compulsory, agreements so the right to withdraw labour as a last resort is not affected. Second, I wrote: "Where

there is a significant new offer by employers, we must examine whether a fresh ballot of employees could take place - and we shall be taking soundings on this as a way forward." Labour's position on this was the same on Tuesday morning as on Tuesday evening. We want to examine whether this can be de | sures fair treatment for em-

Biblical acts

GENESIS does indeed tell us that God created man

in his own image, as Edward

Johnson writes about Durham

Cathedral's naked man imag

(Letters, September 10). But it

tells us more: "God said, Let

interesting pictures.

88 Islington High Street.

such redundant body-parts of

fensive. He knows who to com-

plain to: Edward Johnson and

Officer on I delivered the first Christmas 96 shop-

ping catalogue (Letters

hefore Christmas last year.

Peterborough PE1 3TR.

September 6, 11) about 10 days

WITH so much of the year now devoted to the antici-pation of December 25, the

time is ripe for a National

Campaign for the Contain-ment of Christmas. I suggest a

boycott of every commercial establishment displaying tin-

sel or fake snowy window-panes before mid-November.

That is, if you can find any-where else left to shop. David Jackson Young. 25 Dean Path Buildings.

AST year, Varsity (Cam-bridge University's student

newspaper) reported several cases of illicit sexual activity

in the University Library and

that of Emmanuel College.

Perhaps this is what Ian San-som (Essay, September 7) is referring to when he talks

about libraries, in such

dreamy and romantic tones, as the final bastion of non-

"remote access" resources. Claire Hibbitt.

Cambridge CB3 0JG.

Edinburgh EH4 3AZ.

his fellow creators.

57f Mallard Road.

Ian McRobert.

115 Park Road,

Philip Lloyd Lewis.

Bournemouth BH8 9PJ.

Nicolas Walter.

London N1 8EW.

ening of ACAS without the need for new legislation. When asked in interviews given before Tony Blair's arrival at Blackpool whether this could be ruled out. I said that of course we could not rule out legislation forever on this matter David Blunkett MP.

Shadow Secretary of State for Education and Employment London SW1A 0AA. ASEARCH for better ways to prevent disagreements

turning into disputes will be welcomed by everyone inter-ested in developing a new relationship in the workplace. But your editorial (September 10) focused on a symptom rather than the cause - which is the exclusion of employees from many of the decisions that affect

Whether it is people's fears about stress and job insecurity or their hopes for better training and career development, far too many employers still don't recognise the stake that their employees have in the organisation they work for. That's why we need a social partnership which en-

T IS a pity you did not | veloped as part of a strength | ployees and recognises trade report what I actually | ening of ACAS without the | unions' role in civil society. AVID Blunkett and Tony Blair have been both right and brave in tackling Congress this week has shown how trade unions are the issue of public-sector strikes head on. It is essential that the interests of service starting to change to support people in the new world of work. But others need to users come before those of the trade unions. Ordinary memchange too. bers of the public, after all, are the real losers in a Tube Hilary Benn.

Chair, Unions 96. 6 Cynthia Street, London N1 9JF.

THE last Labour Government lost office after the "winter of discontent" of industrial action in 1978-9. Some trade-union leaders have since agonised that they were therefore responsible for the last four terms of Tory rule. There is a different lesson from this, however. The last

Labour government, by implementing the IMF cuts in the public sector, caused the strikes and disruptions. The latest actions by postal and transport workers now highlight the widespread op-position to a possible incoming Labour government's anti-union statements. People are not necessarily waiting

for Labour to be elected be fore showing their feelings. John Nicholson. Convenor, Greater Manchester Socialist Alliance. Manchester M14 5PN

HANK you for starting a debate on the forthcoming landfill tax (Letters, September 11). The problem with the principle of "the polluter pays" is that it is frequently difficult to decide who the pol luter really is. The landfill tax may have minor benefits in persuading local antherities to move to less environmen tally damaging forms of dis-posal, but what is really needed is a reduction in the amount of packaging that we

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throw away. The solution here is not a tax on the disposer — who as your correspondent points most environmentally responsible way possible - but on the producer. Britain's wealthiest individuals are makers of disposable package ing. Also wealthy are the supermarkets that use it. It is they, not us, who should meet the cost of cleaning up the mess caused by their

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initiative on employment law during TUC week. Tony Blair called on trade unions to take stock of the "completely different labour market". Perhaps he should activities. Simon McKeown. 10 Murdoch House, Moodkee Street, introduce those responsible for this poor advice to the Rotherhithe London SE16 1BJ.

FRANK Cooke's letter rightly points out some of the implications of the landers. However, there are ways to minimise this by recycling and re-using (which is of course what the tax was in-

tended to encourage). Most carriers already sort through skips to recycle materials before sending the remains to landfill. Several companies and local authorities offer composting services for green organic waste which is in general less costly than going to landfill. As to his point about an increase in fly-tipping, yes, it is likely, but a few high-profile prosecutions and punitive should ensure that it is 20

worse than at present. It is crucial that more efforts are made to reduce the amount of waste that has to be dumped. Certainly in this part of the south the current landfill sites only have a few years left. Clearly stremuous effort needs to be made to reduce waste in the first place. This in part means making it more expensive to dispose of waste in environmentally damaging ways. Charlie Tronsdell. KPS Composting Services. Awbrook Park Farm, Ham Lane, Scaynes Hill, Haywards Heath,

West Sussex RH17 7PR. Please include a full postal address, even on e-mailed etters, and a telephone numbe We may edit letters: shorter ones are more likely to appear We regret we cannot

acknowledge those not used.

#### us make man in our image, after our likeness." So God is plural. "In the image of God created he him; male and fe-

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male created he them." So God is bisexual. This would Dangers of the Safety Net mean very complicated geni-tals, and could make even net since the early eighties Rationalist Press Association. (Venture aims to clean up pornography on the Internet September 10). Most of the time it has been to send and RECENT research has Shown that this Genesis receive messages from South Africa. The messages were passage is the result of a faulty often encoded and concerned franslation. It should have read: "Man created God in his the "subversive" activities of the African National Conown image" - including genigress. On occasions the mestals, of course. If God finds

> leadership in Lusaka. History has moved on. However, if the communications industry is not vigilant, unelected, self-serving people like Peter Daw will "hinder the distribution of illegal ma-

HAVE been using the Inter- | the courts, not Parliament not the police, but big-brother Daw could decide that what we in the ANC did was "illegal". Nelson could still be in jail, with South Africa's free

Safety Net, founded by Daw, will offer "to build fil ters against pornographic and other types of material Not content with a self-defined "pornographic" (which ages were from Nelson Mandela, then in jail, to the ANC perhaps could be generally agreed upon), "other types" are added. Under the cloak of decency, what dastardly Ron Press.

112 Amberley Road,

### the distribution of illegal material on the Internet". Not Bristol BS12 6BY.

ment with tax-raising powers is the result of panic about tax issues in general and that the party displays incompe-tence in Scotland (Therapy needed for this tax neurosis September 10).

The decision to hold a referendum in Scotland and include the essential tax ques-tion illustrates rather that the issue was thought through just that wee bit more cleverly this time around. The Shadow Scottish Secre-

by supporting further addi-tions. A single-issue referen-dum would have invoked a lingering concern in Scotland that any form of independence would cost dearly.

If the referendum indicates

a clear desire for a devolved regional parliament for Scotland, and the Scots show that they are prepared to support this power only when cludes the responsibility of a reasonable tax contribution. any doubts concerning the Edinburgh EH9 1DT.

Referendum: an aye and a nae AM surprised at Hugo Young's views that the Labour Party's proposed referendum on a Scottish parlia
The Roaring Mill, Glen Nevis. will be finally laid to rest.

Maggie Thompson.

The Roaring Mill, Glen Nevis.

> HE most serious political crisis to affect Scotland since the last general election — the Labour Party's twists and turns on devolution - exposes equivocation and deceit on the single most important issue facing Scotland today: its constitutional future within the UK. It has squandered the sorely-tried lovalty of thousands of Labour supporters like myself. It also brings into serious question the political judgment and competence of Tony Blair. Why, oh why therefore has

the Guardian ignored this key story throughout the past seven days, only covering it when the final farcical twist of the Labour devolution tale fell into place? This, to me, mirrors perfectly the English and metropolitan bias of the Labour Party. John McCurdy.

153 Warrender Park Road,

#### problem\_ You are right to suggest in

your leader (September 11) that prevention is better than cure, but when a mental health problem has not been prevented, it needs a response. Employing a supply teacher to provide one-to-one tuition may not be ideal but a 10-year-old-boy should be en-titled to receive help without

or postal strike. There is a

growing groundswell of opin-

ion among grassroots Labour

Party members that our

relationship with the unions

AM amazed that my Labour

Party subscriptions and

trade-union political-fund

contribution are helping to

pay the media "gurus" who

no doubt advised David Blun-

kett to launch a new policy

flexible labour market by giv-

Help this child

T IS upsetting to see parents

protesting outside a school

at resources being spent on one 10-year-old boy (MP wins

truce in boycott over disrup-

tive pupil, September 11). Would we accept parents

picketing a hospital to protest

that a child with a serious

physical illness, leukaemia

That parents should be con-

cerned for the safety of their children at school is under-

standable; that they should protest when money is spent

to help a child with problems

is less so. When children are

persistently disruptive or ag-gressive, it is generally a manifestation of significant

anxiety with which they can-

tom of a mental health

not cope - in effect, a symp-

ay, was costing too much?

ing them the sack. Colin Adkins.

London SW16 1JA.

55b Kingscourt Road,

Convenor, Labour 2000. 25e Belsize Park Gardens,

must change.

London NW3 4JH.

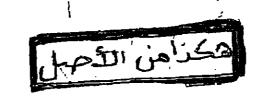
Nick Prior.

Peter Wilson. Director, Young Minds. 102-108 Clerkenwell Road, London EC1M 5SA

#### A Country Diary

CHESHIRE: The local swifts searching for insects in a departed more than three small willow at the side of the departed more than three weeks ago, but the house mar-tin colony under the overhanging eaves of the village hall is still alive with activity - there's a second brood to raise before they will take the long flight south to their wintering grounds in Africa. A pair of swallows, nesting in the barn on a farm just out side the village are also still feeding a young family, and I could hear their persistent de-mands for "more, more" as I passed on my way to the com-mon. From the trees around the car park, a chifchaff was singing but it was a very half-hearted effort, an end-of-season version of its repetitive call and there was no sign of the spotted fly-catcher. The autumn departure of most of our summer visitors is a much more leisurely affair than the rush of the spring arrival so the male blackcap

lake, with parental duties now a thing of the past, may well have been a bird slowly mov-ing south stopping to build up his fat reserves before the next leg of the journey. On the lake itself, some blackheaded gulls had returned from their nesting sites and altho was only a small flock of around 50 birds there was quite a mix of plumages amongst them. Many of the adults were gradually losing their dark heads, and the young birds of the year were in several variations of the tawny backs and necks of juvenile plumage and the neat brown wing pattern of their first winter coat. There were no birds on the new mere which was surrounded by an-glers, but the water's edge was carpeted with yellow flowers of the fringed water lily. J M THOMPSON



it seems

**Teachers have** 

special needs,

Matthew Norman

ITH the eagerly awaited second issue of new Punch out tomorrow, concern mounts about that popular feature Ask Nigel, in which my so-called rival Nigel Demoster of the down-market Daily Mail answers questions. Last week, he questions. Last week, he covered the entire range from Richard Ingrams ("an unemployable has-been") to the Waleses (he was partly responsible" for their marriage), but this week he is scheduled to address readers' etiquette queries. However, it seems the page may be a little light: by some bizarre twist of postal fate, several letters have been re-routed to me. "Dear Nigel," begins one. "My friend is being driven mad by having to work with someone whose notion of his job is re-jigging press releases about obscure starlets, and writing puffs for minor aristocrats in the hope of ingratiating himself with his social superiors. What should he do? Yours etc, PD Acre, London W8." As Mr Acre's friends, we are passing the letter to Nigel

**EXE** celebration of the 150th anniversary of the opening of Faken-ham gasworks continues. Tomorrow week (Friday the 13th), the Community Centre in Oak Street will welcome a very special guest to tackle the broad topic "Gas in the 21st Century". How keeping busy in his wellearned retirement.

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FTER yesterday's item about Sir Bernard Ingham's imminent appointment as Diary Astrologer, word came back that he may already have a column of his own. Bernie, apparently, is the Sunday Telegraph maga-zine's highly respected stargazer, Psychic Psmith. When we put this to him. back came the answer at enormous volume: "Oh, for CHRIST'S SAKE! I have absolutely NO BLOODY IN-TEREST in astrology!" said Bernie. "It's a load of RUB-BISH! I would certainly NEVER write anything about it! For Christ's sake have you nothing better to talk about?" He then replaced the receiver. It's a very clever bluff, Bernie, but we're not buying it. You shall be our astrologer yet.

AM overjoyed to learn that my friend Mandy Mandelson has been reacquainting himself with his sense of humour. At a day-long pep talk for pro-spective parliamentary candidates ("parliamentary spokespersons", in the baf-fling new jargon) at Milldean best. "I'm surprised anyone reads the Guardian any more," he told the eager beavers. "It really is a terrible paper, especially the Diary." That Mandy, he simply loves his little joke. Just as long as none of his audience thought he was

HREE days after an Inbegged us all to join trade unions (there is, as the paper pointed out, so much b insecurity out there). we learn of the versatility required of those few emoyees who survive there. When Andrew Marr. Gentleman Charlie Wilson's successor as editor, sacked dance writer Sophie Constanti in "the last round of restructuring" in May, he replaced her with . . . the crossword editor, Louise Levene. "There's a lot of doubling up of jobs," says Ms Constanti. "The architecture editor writes articles about BSE." The sooner Monty Montgomery and Mr Marr obey their own leader and strengthen the NUJ, the sooner they can stamp out these practices, of which they so strongly

OME things must be allowed to speak for themselves, and we conclude today with a letter from the managing director of Mirror TV, which appeared in yesterday's Fi-nancial Times. "Sir, In your otherwise accurate article about talks between Live TV and Channel One, you stated that the weather forecast in Norwegian had been dropped in favour of a dwarf reading the weather while bouncing on a trampoline," writes Kelvin Mackenzie. This is not the case. They are both working for Live TV but at different times.



As the TUC and Labour struggle with their relationship Larry Elliott calls on Blair & co to learn the language of government. Hugo Young, below, foresees conflict over demands after the election

# Everyone's turn now

ill-advised attempts to outbid the Conservatives on tradeunion legislation: maybe not today, maybe not tomorrow. but someday soon and per-haps for the rest of his life. In short term, the tiff will doubtless be smoothed over. Labour officials were privately admitting yesterday that the whole affair had been badly mishandled and that the next few weeks would be spent in the sort of consultation ex-ercise that should have hap-pened before David Blunkett started to shoot from the hip.

The fun will really start if and when Labour wins the election. The scenario is fairly easy to sketch out and will be fraught with danger for an incoming Blair government. On the one hand, the incoming government will be coming government will be coming the said, inevitably would, he said, inevitably who's boss — has its attractions. It would show the incoming government will be coming government. easy to sketch out and will be

not spent the past four years parading himself as the Iron Chancellor merely to loosen the Treasury purse strings the moment he arrives in office Even if he wanted to, he couldn't. The public finances are in a mess, and there is simply no scope for dolling out large quantities of cash.

The Conservatives are al-

ready homing in on this issue. David Willetts, the Paymaster General, was holding court in one of Blackpool's hostelries yesterday, making the point that Labour would find it impossible to square the circle between keeping the lid on public spending and paying for the minimum wage in hospitals and town halls. It

O PARAPHRASE
Humphrey Bogart
in Casablanca, Tony
Blair may come to
regret this week's parading himself as the Iron

mitted to controlling inflation
Labour, the other is that the no-strike binding arbitration
and compulsory re-balloting
the public sector is rooted in the event of an improved
offer could be useful weapons
overall pay bill imposed by for a Labour government tryoverall pay bill imposed by Kenneth Clarke, Unions will be expecting Labour to deliver on low pay and, after yester-day's TUC debate, they have a figure in mind: £4.26 an hour. The new Prime Minister will only have three options.
The first — to ignore his
Chancellor and throw billions
of pounds at the unions to

keep them quiet — would be anathema. It would be Old Labour in spades, but even worse it could lead to serious repercussions in the financial markets — a run on the pound followed by higher interest rates. In theory, a second course of action — to take on the unions and show them

for a Labour government try-ing to stop strikes in the pub-lic sector. But it's hard to think that Labour would really want a wave of indus trial unrest, not least because it would suggest that very lit-tle had changed in the past 18

Labour says it has a plan for dealing with this seemingly intractable problem. Almost certainly, it will involve calling on the unions to be patient for just a little longer until a Low Pay Commission has set a level for the minimum wage and had it agreed by the Gov-ernment. This will be less much less — than the unions are currently looking for: not more than £3.50 an hour in all likelihood.

Labour will try to keep the unions onside by setting up a going to ne shadow Low Pay Commission he can get.

 made up of unions, employers and academics — to start deliberations even while legis lation is going through Parlia-ment. But this strategy sits uneasily with macho attempts relations legislation. Indeed, it anything more likely to in-flame the unions representing the low-paid.
This week's events show

that Labour is still thinking like a party of opposition. It wants to protect its flank against Conservative claims that it is soft on the unions at a time when it should be looking ahead to the problems it faces in governme

During yesterday's debate on the minimum wage there was much talk of safety nets for the low-paid. Mr Blair should take note. Whatever happens, it will be a high-wire act for Labour in office; he is

Meg Henderson

ECAUSE my father was a Roman Catholic it was decreed that I attend a convent school, though quite why I should have been obliged to take his religion any more than his politics, I have never understood. My mother, though, was a Protes-tant who refused to convert. which meant that one side of the family was Catholic, and the other, the quality half as it happened, was Protestant. So it went against the grain somewhat that at school even the maths teacher started her lessons with an earnest prayer that my mother would see the light before she died and join "the one true faith". This, plus a predilection to debate every ssue, something the nuns attributed to "communism", was the start of my lack of

respect for teachers. There were exceptions of course, good, decent people committed to helping children, though only a very few. But with the passage of time you expect attitudes to change; and when I began fostering and adopting children I expected that teachers must have changed too. I had this naïve idea that they were in the job because they liked children. Did I say naïve? Stupid, that's the word. The children I cared for were sad, damaged and often abused, and the problems they created regularly drove me to despair. But most depressing of all was the teachers' attitude

Unfortunately there had been little change since my schooldays. Their main interest was in the brighter children, and those who caused them to think were "disruptive"; this wasn't about humanity, this was business. When faced with children in desperate trouble through no fault of their own, their reaction was: "Get these monsters

aching fraternity stated with palpable distase: "I didn't train to teach the likes of that." When I raised the hypothetical spectre of the custom built ramp into the school being used by a child in a wheelchair someday, there was widespread panic. The headteacher hastily drew up a code of conduct. Teachers, she decided, with the backing of her staff, did not have to have children in their classes whose appearance might upset them. Phew! That was the

understand why anyone inter-ested in children could fail to respond to those so in need of their help, so in need of special teaching skills. Why, I wondered, were the teachers, in various parts of the country, hellbent on getting these children out of the school, instead of campaigning for the educational help they needed to keep them within mainstream educa-

ginger-haired kids is any-

Being naive I couldn't

tion? Education officials pre-ferred to keep "difficult" or "disruptive" children in special schools, rather than spend money on equipping mainstream schools with trained special-needs staff. But education officials were bureaucrats, they didn't have hands-on experience, they weren't in the job because they were interested in children. Almost every child will need specialist help at some time, so every school should already have that provision. Indeed, before the Tory edu-

cation revolution, there was a separate budget for special needs, though for "specialist teacher" read whatever supply teacher was hanging around, which meant that children who needed more continued to get less. So legally binding Statements of Needs were introduced, listing a child's difficulties and what the local education authority must provide to address those needs. But all over the country the law has been ignored, because no extra money was given. And when children in difficulty as a result became difficult children, did the mainstream teachers threaten to strike in protest at their plight? Hell no. they were too busy striking to get the little blighters out of their hair.

O here we have the lat-est example, the third in recent months by my calculation, Matthew from Worksop, who caused his teachers to threaten strike action unless he was expelled. The compromise was that he should be taught in isolation by a supply teacher, and now the parents of his schoolmate are withdrawing their child-ren. They object to the cost. They're taking our children's money for him to be taught one-to-one. Why should they

mother, because these days

special-needs provision.

general school budget.
The Tories are gradually achieving their divided society, where there is no society. with everyone responsible for themselves and their ills. Survival of the fittest, where the weakest go to the wall, because there is a 10 per cent wastage in everything, includ-ing children. Aided and abet-ted by those child-orientated golden hearts I remember so well from my own schooldays. Down's-syndrome loophole All together now let's hear it closed; and where that left for the teachers.



### Time to lose the habits of opposition

### **Commentary**

Hugo Young

HE Thatcher Govern-· ment's first executive act in May 1979 was to approve a massive pay increase for the police. It, too, had armchair revolutionaries in mind. Singling out the agents of the civil power was a far-sighted defensive manoeuvre, not well recognised at the time, which prepared the barricades against forces whom ministers thought likely to be affronted by their policies. It established the terms of trade with the new government's enemies.

Tony Blair's steely warnings at the TUC do something similar, but more obviously offensive. They give notice to people who think he will be their friend. Friends are more necessary, but more difficult. to level with than enemies. In any case, after 17 years accumulating friends who expect the earth, Blair's pre-emptive position has the merit, over

leged inexactitudes and contradictions over when and how a Labour government might contemplate new laws to deal with arbitration, reballoting and the like. Apart from grossly exaggerating their discoveries, these searches for a difference be-tween Mr Blunkett and Mr Blair missed the point. The point was to remind the brothers and sisters that, while there is always room for discussion, this new govern-

ment is at least going to have a

decent shot at a strategy that does not start with the politics of exclusive comradeship. In Blair's mind, such a message can hardly have seemed controversial. It is the only position to take, both in logic and in politics, at the apex of his leadership. Having spent two years trying to wean the Labour Party away from its old power-structures, he needs to signal that it will get something out of such a disengagement. Making clear, with whatever obscure formula-tions, that trade unions should not expect to be exempt

from scrutiny if they start be-coming socially dysfunctional is an elementary precaution. But this is only the leading edge of the challenge that a much broader constituency than the unions has to learn Thatcher's device, of costing nothing to the public purse.

The static on this week's air-waves matters more than the unions has to learn how to handle. Somehow we case than to choose. Opposition into the vietnam war, as his predection in the vie

the detailed message. Much the psychology of government was made on Monday of al- Another way of putting this is Another way of putting this is to ask how the cynicism and disappointment of 17 years, all of it conveniently evacuated on the ever-available Tory government, can be transformed into a measured realism and modesty of expecta-

tion when the familiar

scapegoat is suddenly whisked away. Those 17 years have produced an army of interests which consider themselves to have been neglected and deprived, if not outright punished, by Thatcherism. Through the prevailing scepticism about all politicians the light of hope in Labour still darkly shines. A Labour Westminster and Whitehall will produce a culture-shock for which the nation's psychology is perhaps less prepared than its politics. At last this is our crowd, they will be saying in the pressure groups for families, for mental health, for the and rails and pensions and schools, and not least for the rights of organised labour. It's our turn, and we can't wait to make it count.

N the left more than the right, moreover, such pent-up expecta-tions of a coming break-out must be factored into the typical state of mind. The Anglo-Saxon left has al-

infirmity. Lefties are more emharrassed to be led, more reluctant to comply, more de-termined to defend the holy grail of principle, more at-tached to differences that don't necessarily have much distinction. That's the intellectual habit of the left and, until recent aberrant developments said to define Labour as occupationally hostile to the kind of compromising mentality eyes for ever on the main chance, which Conservatives have always understood to be the basis of successful government. All these traits have now had half-a-generation to grow and fructify.

As a matter of fact, I don't believe this has happened to the extent that it might have. Excessive zeal is less promi-nent in the discourses of the modern left than caution and, dare one say it, a certain blank humility when faced by the intractable problems to which socialism no longer offers a categoric answer. But that hardly makes the prospect in government any easier. The habit of opposition, pumped up by great expectations and underpinned by few ideological certainties, is what will define the Labour Party's condition when Mr Blair is fect its psychological shift into a governing machine. The way he's going about it.

most obviously at the TUC, may not work. Some people will find his repudiation of the unions' ascendancy, even in matters that are entirely to do with trade-union affairs. shockingly naïve. It is not as if Bill Morris is making a bid to force a Labour government's hand on the trade deficit or

Wilson. There's also the question of money. For how much longer can the trade-union movement be expected to continue financing a political party if that party exputation, rejects the primacy of the movement's interests in the movement's interests in the confusing (but perfectly pleasant and biddable) daughter, which is chining example of the cludes the likelihood of a trial of strength once he is in power.

**IKEWISE** with other

sectional interests. Un-

less we are to declare

all social and economic difference between the parties to be extinct, some kind of preferential option for the poor and needy is a priority everyone is entitled to expect to be revealed. After 17 years without pretence to such a thing, the system will be awash with legitimate demands. After 17 years watching a government that has supporters, many may find it hard to endure a government which proposes to define its constituency and its obliga-tions in a less sectarian way. Yet if New Labour means anything, that is part of what it means. Becoming the party of Middle Britain is the only way it can become a party of government. That means cutting loose from the confines of the past. If, as a result, trade

unions cannot stomach their demotion and begin to with-draw their political money, then, the Blair logic says, so be it. It won't happen yet, and it won't happen until he has had his first chance to show what his kind of government means. Such a government must, in the end, be boss. It is the only agency through which reality can be imposed on 17 years' frustration, and now is not too soon to start.

charm of this product. Any-

how, a more effective tool to reduce consumption

might be a direct publicity campaign to change people's awareness and tastes — as in relation to

Of course, there are many difficulties with the pro-

posal to sell the confiscated material. For one, it might be hard to find buyers, given that by definition they belong to an illegal

underground network.

However, since most of

these products are destined for the East Asian countries, where it is not always illegal to trade in

these products, perhaps some arrangement could be

animal-fur products.



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### Market forces and the aphrodisiac rhino brew

Andres Gomez-Lobo has a plan to help the rhinos being slaughtered for their horns: flood the black market now

ered by detectives in Lon-don. Yet it seems that the authorities are not quite sure what to do with the horns. Mr Schofield, the officer in charge, declared: "If we can't find a museum to take them on they will have to be destroyed."

I would urge those res-ponsible at least to consider

a third option: selling the confiscated horns and thus flooding the market for a period. Besides generating financial resources that could strengthen the campaign against the trade in endangered species, it rhinos currently under effect might be great. threat. Poachers, and the There are arguments might seem as if these agen- take away some of the Fiscal Studies

AST week, the world's ignoble traders who form the backbone of this illicit trade, clearly respond to trade, clearly respond to economic incentives. If not, why are they willing to take the risks involved? Therefore, a very effective weapon would be to make killing more animals less profitable, at least for a while, whereas the banning of a trade and subsequent destruction of confiscated material may lead to a higher level of poaching.

Prices are driven higher when trade is made illegal. But flooding the market with confiscated material will lower the price, at least until the market recovers. With such a large haul as would help save the lives of was found in London the

drug-enforcement agencies should do the same. Selling confiscated drugs would certainly depress prices, and thus dealers' incomes and incentives. However, most people would find this unpalatable, and thus think that there may also be something wrong with the argument above. The crucial difference is that, in the case of drugs, it is con-sumption that the law is trying to prevent. In the case of endangered wildlife, however bizarre and repug-nant we Westerners might rhino-horn powder, it is the lives of the animals that is the overriding priority.

Many people might find it precisely the high price and lives of the animals that is the overriding priority.

against this proposal. First. | cies had suddenly become someone could, using the marketing companies for same logic, advocate that the goods they were created to control. Would this not increase consumption and thus lead to greater poach-ing in the future? There would initially be increased consumption due to the lower prices, but this would not be at the expense of the killing of additional animals, since the extra consumption would be sup-plied from already poached animals. Habit formation might be a more relevant problem if, due to lower prices, new consumers got hooked on the alleged aphrodisiac properties of rhino-horn's brew. But, in a market for such

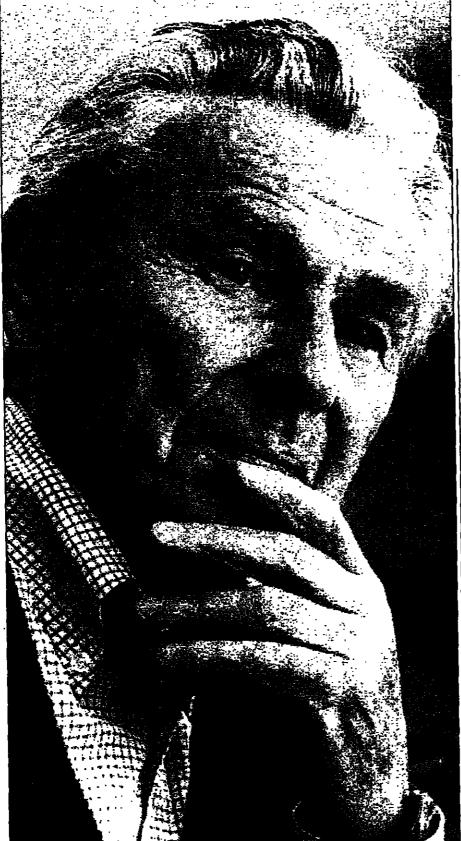
contradictory that the au-thorities in charge of limit-ing the trade in these illicit in a high price a sign that goods would be acting as it is a precious material? traders and sellers. It Thus a lower price might

I am sure that if the un fortunate dead rhinos had a say in all this, they would much prefer to hit back at their killers where it most hurts — their pockets than lie in a museum or have their horns transformed to ash.

> Andres Gomez-Lobo is a researcher at the Institute for

Josef Müller-Brockmann

# Clearly a designer



mann, who has died at the age of 82, was a leading pioneer of the "supranational anonymous form language known as the Swiss style of graphic design. First popular in the 1960s, "Swiss" was an attempt to strip typography, images and layout, of decoration or "subjective" elements and present the bare uninflected graphic elements as "value free", organised in a modular framework. Its influence can be seen today in the layout grid and Helvetica peadlines of the Guardian. Invited to lecture in London

three months ago by the Soci ety of Typographic Designers Müller-Brockmann wa greeted as a hero by a packed, mostly young, audience. A de-cade earlier he had been ap-pointed an honotary Royal Designer for Industry. Not only in Britain, but around the world, Müller-Brockn

Born Josef Müller, the seventh of eight children, Müller-Brockmann was brought up by his widowed mother. His father, a building contractor, though Swissscript, he fell at the front in the first world war.

Müller-Brockmann's train-With no qualifications, he then fought for acceptance as a part-time student at the Kunstgewerbeschule in was one afternoon a week. He celebrated teachers, Ernst Kel-

ler and Alfred Willimann. determinedly self-made. He seven precepts. The first was "You are on your own. Everything depends on your own energy, intelligence and self-crit-ical attitude." This was by exhortations to educate himself, to use criticism constructively but still to remember: "You are your own best friend."



His office became a Mecca for admirers. Arriving at Zurich station partisans of modernist design were instantly set down in a graphic world cleansed by him

philosophy and music, business studies and psychology attending Jung's lectures over a four-year period - at the same time painting and drawing while making a living as a designer, mostly of window displays. The professional and educa-

tional aspects of Müller-Brock-mann's life came together in 1939. Putting himself forward as a designer for the Swiss National exhibition, he was awarded the commission for the sections on Swiss universities. Swiss art history, phys ics and medicine. The income was to be spent on a year's study in Paris but the war put a stop to this and the next five

mann was occupied as a com-mercial artist but at the age of 85 he decided that his efforts were only mediocre and felt obliged to return to his pro-Zurich had a nucleus of sur viving pioneers of graphic de sign, mainly artists such as Max Bill and Richard Paul

French affichistes. Now he hegan to apply himself seriously to typography and pho-tography, abandoning illustration in favour of photographic images and geometrically-con-

In the early 1950s Müller-Brockmann established a studio in the centre of Zurich with two assistants and a phoographer, happy to work evenings, Saturdays and Sun-days. He built an international reputation, especially in America.

Müller-Brockmann's office at 110 Bahnhofstrasse became posters, photographic designs for road safety and geometrical and typographic construc tions for concerts. Arriving by late 1950s, partisans of mod-ernist design were instantly et down in a graphic work cleansed by Müller-Brock-mann: a vast double-sided photo-mural bridged the plat-forms — cheerful smokers heads elegantly distributed promoted Turmac cigarettes;

and typographical construc-tions advertising concerts and exhibitions dominated the

in 1957 Müller-Brockmann took the place of Keller at the have been Lobse who sug-gested visiting Müller-Brockmann at the school. I remember the earnest conviction with which he explained his programme which allowed students to work for months on a single project.

This was the way with his own work, whose apparently outcome of hours of trials and refinement of elements that were locked into a simple geometrical system. His strict methods were opposed by a conservative staff, and his concert posters initially met with abuse. After four years Müller-Brockmann left. He taught in the 1960s in Japan and for a term at the Hochs chule für Gestaltung in Ulm. From now his influence

spread, less through teaching than through books and the magazine Neue Grafik (New Graphic Design), a didactic quarterly of which he was the prime mover. Apart from recent examples of the kind of design his fellow editors app trated the work of European pioneers of the 1920s and thirwhich Müller-Brockmann dis-

tilled his own visual language. It could now be said that his success was in turning the exlished The Graphic Artist and Brockmann was the first to demonstrate a logical means of ordering elements of design in a layout.

Iwenty years later his book Grid Systems in Graphic Design appeared. For computerbound designers at their screens, the grid of lines and columns of type-setting is the only remaining formal disci-pline. As a design historian,

sualties; and his geometric | cellence in the first history of graphic design, published in

Although he established an advertising agency in his name, he was unsuited to the difficulties of controlling the output of a large staff. Like most designers, he was uneasy with advertising. When he no idea of the dangers of smoking, and the list he drew up of "untouchables" for his actice included alcohol, any thing military including toys, and politics. He was obliged to resign as president of the ischer Grafiker) when members rejected his uncompr mising programme for rules of professional conduct. Müller-Brockmann will be

the achievements of the early graphic designers and reasserting their straightforward principles in his work. In the was hijacked as the corporate conglomerates, banks and public utilities acquired the Swiss style. (Müller-Brock-mann's signs for Zurich airport or those for Swiss Federal Railways are barely distin-guishable from what was designed here in the 1960s for

Heathrow or British Rail). Not for nothing is Müller-Brockmann's autobiography Seriously Playful. His life was nist Verena Brockmann (whose family name he had added to his own) died in a car his Design Problems, now in crash which he survived; its sixth edition, Müller-their son Andreas died of lung their son Andreas died of lung cancer in 1993. He imposed his will on his professional devel-opment and indirectly on a eneration of his colleagues He did this through an inspired enthusiasm and generosity, amused by his own

Josef Müller-Brockmann, graph

Ray Coleman

### From Beatlemania to biography

pop musicians and the journalists who record their ised by a sort of mutual contempt, often to the benefit of both parties. Ray Coleman, who has died aged 59, from cancer, bore the characteris-tics of an earlier era. His view of musicians was generally benign; if, as their biographer, his instinct led him to airbrush their faults, it was be-cause to him someone like Eric Clapton was a musician first and a rehabilitated drug

addict a very distant second.

Paradoxically, however, the musicians he most admired included the troublesome ones whose self-appointed mission was to prick away at bland pomposity until it exploded. Above all he relished the fleroe arrogance of Bob Dylan. John Lennon. Pete Town-shend and Miles Davis, and their intransigence in the face of the showbiz expectations. came, the more he cherished

them. Yet his popular biographies of Lennon, Clapton, the Car-penters, Gerry and the Pace-makers, Gary Numan, Brian Epstein, Bill Wyman, Rod Stewart and others held little value for those whose inter-ests lay on the darker side of

Coleman was born in

Leicester. After learning his craft as a reporter with the Manchester Evening News. the Brighton Evening Argus and the Leicester Evening Mail Coleman arrived in London in the early 1960s to join the Melody Maker as a reporter. He was just in time to be

Ray's instinct was

to smooth away the rough edges, soothe the abrasions, forgive the trespasses

given the plum assignment of following the Beatles on the tours with which they con-quered the world. His discert halls form a valuable record of the phenomenon, al-though he was careful never to breach the rules of etiquette which shrouded the group's more colourful adventures with girls and drugs. An admirer of good main

stream journalism, and the Daily Telegraph in particular, musicians' behaviour. His in-stinct was to smooth away the values to his work in a publi-Max Jones — the doyen of Coleman loved the tradi-

Sex Pistols, the abrasions, to forgive the relationship between pop musicians and the Colomba was how in the curiosity of music fans.

| Colomba was how in the latter than th But he loved recounting the story of the time he applied for a reporting job at the Tele-graph and was interviewed by a stern news editor who examined his CV, noted his current post on the Melody Maker, and said: "Tell me, Mr Coleman, why did you leave journalism?"

As editor of Disc and Music

As editor of Disc and Music Echo in the late Sixties and of the Melody Maker from 1970-78, Coleman suppressed his own urge to write in favour of an enjoyment of discovering and promoting the talents of others. A large number of journalists who came of age at the time owe something to his

paironage.

Among them are Alan
Lewis, editor in chief of IPC
Magazines' music titles;
Michael Watts, editor of the Independent magazine; and lan Birch, editor in chief of EMAP Elan. Others went into the upper echelons of the music business, notably Brian Southall of Warner Brothers International and David Hughes of EMI. At Disc, his writers included Penny Valen-tine and Caroline Boucher, at the Melody Maker he gave space to Chris Welch, Roy Hollingworth, and the present editor. Allan Jones, as well as those who were already veter-

Barry Fantoni, the photo-graphs of Barrie Wentzell, the writing of Caroline Coon and Valerie Wilmer, and the ghosted columns of Pete pages, which were rarely without the announcement of some new phenomenon:

When McCartney wanted to scotch rumours of a Beatles reunion, he wrote to Ray's letters page

"mania" and "split" were the key words. All the relevant news, from the death of Louis Armstrong to the break-through of Elton John, was broken via his headlines at a time when the paper sold 200,000 copies a week and could afford to post correspon-dents to New York and Los Angeles. When, in the midst of his estrangement from John Lennon, Paul McCartney wanted to scotch rumours of a Beatles reunion, he wrote to

He published the cartoons of | 1926, and was presiding over the celebrations of its golden jubilee when the first notes of the punk movement sounded in London. Unlike most of his staff, he welcomed the disrup-Townshend and Rod Stewart. tion — possibly not realisting He designed his own front that it was destined to undermine and sweep away all the paper's old values. But his response was not enough to pre-vent the MM's gradual eclipse by its younger rival, the New Musical Express, which hired writers from the old underground press and won a last-ing supremacy in terms of cir-culation and influence.

A precise and pancillious

man, Coleman insisted on the definite article preceding the title of his paper, an attitude probably incomprehensible to the present-day staff. He remained for several years as editor in chief, also launching such publications as Black Music and Musicians Only. In recent years his books had been published around the world; he was approaching the completion of an authorised life of Phil Collins when be

Ray Coleman leaves a wife,

Pamela, and two sons, Miles Richard Williams Ray Coleman, journalist, born June 15, 1937; died Septe



Benign view . . . Coleman in his days as Melody Maker editor

Birthdays

Maria Aitken, actress and Barter, principal, Rada, 56 Chill Bouchier, actress, 87 Col Sir Donald Cameron of Lochiel, 26th chief of the Clan Cameron, 86; David Goodhart, editor, Prospect maga-zine, 40; Ray Gravell, rugby footballer, 45; Linda Gray, actress, 55; Wesley Hall, cricketer, manager and Carib-bean politician, 59; Scott Hamilton, saxophonist, 42; Prof Ronald Hedley educa-tionist, 79; Ian Holm, actor, 65; Freddie Jones, actor, 69; Donal Lenihan, rugby foot-baller, 37; Patrick Mower, actor, 55; Gerard Presencer, jazz trumpeter, 24; Rt Rev Alan Rogers, former Bishop of Mauritius, 89; Molly Samuel, martial artist, former world karate champion, 35: Rt Rev Frank Sargeant, head of staff. Lambeth Palace 64; Han Suyin, doctor and writer, 79; Max Walker, cricketer, 48; Rachel Ward, actress, 39; Prof George Zar-necki, art historian, 81.

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point: Arsehole graphically de-veloping on top of a typewriter. Obviously symbolic for stream

Cronenberg's.
Son of the Pink Panther
(1993) Low point: Peter Sellers
is dead so "top" Italian come-

dian Roberto Benigni is his — get this — illegitimate son who

carries on the family tradition.

The sole reason why the Pink Panther movies were funny:

Peter Sellers. End of story.
Empire gives its list of movies that should never, ever, have even been thought about being

featured for about ten secon Naked Lunch (1991) Low

of crap emerging from

Jackdaw



#### Leg or breast?

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IF MODERN anthropologists deny cannabalism ever existed, it can only be because they find it too distasteful to be true. Exartly why it should be so distasteful is not entirely clear. thought it odd we should feel bad about eating people when killing them can frequently be justified. Some anthropologists have masked their distaste by resorting to logic; arguing that cannabalism is uneconomical Not because humans lack nutrients, but because of all animals, humans are the most violent and the most intelligent. The logic is unanswerable, but it also follows that whenever

killing people becomes easy, then eating them becomes eco-nomic sense. Which is exactly what happened in a colonial war in the eastern Congo. In 1892, a Maniema chief Ngongo joined forces with the ns to attack a group of Arabs who had moved from

Zanzibar to the shores of Lake Tanganyika. One of the Belgia officers described the battle: "At Nyangwe . . . a thousand people were killed in a few hours. Happily Ngongo's men cunnibals par excellence, ate them up at the same rate. It's horrible, but exceedingly use ful and hygienic." An army marches on its stomach - ho much more economical to march on your enemy's stomespecially as a man is both nu-tritious and delicious. Human flesh is, reputedly, saltier than most meat and so more tasty. A lion, once it has tasted human has to be killed because it will

never lose the taste. When one thinks of the time and the trou-

ble taken force-feeding grese

achieved by giving an adult

brandy and cheese sticks . . .

foie gras, the same effect can be

most often is smoked flesh, par-ticularly hands. In the Congo, the king of Belgium once recieved several hundred basker of the things as a tribute. The popularity of smoking indicates that humans are indeed a delicacy: something to be saved and savoured at leisure. Hands are a special delicacy. The muscle at the base of the thumb, the thenar eminence, is highly de-veloped in all humans, Homo Sapiens being the only animal with a working thumb. The fact that cannibals appreciate such delicacies proves finally, that they are far from being mad butchers. They are connoisseurs. The heart and thigh of the mat-ter in the first issue of Bet Soup, brought to you from the makers

The one recipe that crops up

#### Pork out

CROMARTY'S very own por-cine version of Bonnie and Clyde has been separated following — almost inevitably — a run-in with the police. The antics of these two large brown pigs had even reached the agenda of inverness-based Highland

Council According to a report in Abordeen's Press and Jour-nal newspaper, they have been accused of wreaking havoc in local gardens, biting a tourist, and even snatching a handbag. Indeed police were driving to investigate another porker-related com-plaint when one of the pigs jumped out in front of the car. Result — the tragic end of a notorious double act and £1,000 worth of damage.
Trouers go belly up, reported in the Ment Trades Journal.

#### Daddy's girls

1. INTERCHANGEABLE poncey names. But don't be iealous: You too can create your own toff-about-town pseudonym. For a posh surname, see your computer's printer. Then grab a dodgy lin-gerie catalogue and stick in a pin at random to discover your first name. Darlings, Tanga Hewlett-Packard has just

2. "Milkmaid" reputation. So called because they milk any situation for PR while denying

they are actually doing any-such thing. Tara Palmer-Ton-kinson is reportedly "very hurt" by the accusation. But that's OK, as she can tell us all should it in one of these persons. about it in one of her newspaper columns.

3. Look. Shaggy yeti boots on piste; short, tight, shiny, fluif-trimmed things on the King's road. Thin 'n' blonde. . Views on law and order. Tamara Beckwith: "Twe been in a cell three or four times and I just want to say, "Yes, I'm terri-bly sorry, I'm in the wrong but I don't want to sit here for eight

5. Modelling aspirations. During a summer fashion shoot for Hello! Taxa P-T daringly ventured further along a rocky outcrop than was advised by ifeguards, local government, and other not-terribly-divert-ing people. "At one point when Is lipped on the rocks, I nearly fell in and drowned. But at least I would have died looking sensational in that black top. 6. Unstinting support for the class struggle. "If you happen to be working class, it's not smart new magazine, for girls with a lust for life and a pair of balls. The essential read for those who don't know what orange-sticks are and as Toni, the tor, so succinctly puts it. "Some of us, you see, have different aspirations — some of us have what is generally known

ting the food on the table." -

new magazine! such a bad thing. They proba-bly have less things to worry about — other than, like, get-

Minx . . . society girls

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Life. And life is what Minx is all
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you're more interested in pleasing him than pleasing yourself,
well, you know where to look. If Thanks Tamara for that one. Just a couple of the reasons why daddies' girls get on our nerves from the first issue of Minx, the you're still alive, however, come and play . It'll be cool. Trust us. Absolutely no ABSOLUTE Beginners (1986)

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Jaws: The Revenge (1987) Low point: When jaws denies the laws of zoology to virtually scramble on to a beach. The Lair of the White Worm (1988): Low point Boy scout is "orally pleasured" in bubble bath before monstrous yamp sinks fangs into "woggle", leading to leg-crossing hysterics from audience. King David (1985) Lowpoint: Gare dances through the streets

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# Labour assault on utilities

Retail optimism soars as consumers splash out and Kingfisher swoops for £110m profit

### Aim is 'fairness and efficiency'

et out a package of tough measures to crack down on the privatised utilities, including "swingeing" fines for companies failing to deliver secure supplies.

But the party stopped short of committing itself to an overhaul of the regulatory system in a move which immediately

Six more

in store

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ROWING consumer

confidence on the back of a strengthen-

ing housing market was reflected yesterday in surg-ing profits from the B&Q.

Comet and Woolworths

There was optimism too from other retailers and

nies and Asda super-markets chairman Patrick

Gillam underlined this by revealing plans to open six

superstores in the current six-month period, creating

The company also continned its campaign against

price maintenance on medi-

cines with the launch of

cut-price, own-brand folic

acid. At 45p for 30 tablets,

Asda claimed it was about a third the price of the branded equivalent.

Supermarket optimism

was shared by Budgens, whose chairman Clive Cla-

gue told shareholders at

the annual meeting that

sales were almost 5 per cent

But Kingfisher chairman Sir Geoffrey Mulcahy said

he remained cautious about

the solidity of the con-sumer boom as he looked

higher than last year.

group Kingfisher.

raised doubts about Labour's commitment to scrap the system of inflation-linked price caps on the utilities. Labour only said that the introduction of a new system — where con-sumers, would get a share of excess profits - was "one

possibility".

Labour commits itself unreservedly to imposing a one-off windfall tax on the utilities but gives no indication of how much it hopes to extract from the electricity, water and gas industries. It is widely aspublished as the National Grid slammed proposals for

by the electricity industry watchdog, Professor Stephen Littlechild. The Grid said the proposals were "too harsh, in-consistent and based on illfounded assumptions". Labour's measures form

the cornerstone of a 62-page industrial strategy document being sent to constituencies before the forthcoming party conference where delegates will be asked to endorse it. The Shadow Industry Secretary. Margaret Beckett, said that the document — Vision

for Growth - represented "the latest stage in the most this country". It would help to deliver a "strong, dynamic,

vibrant, economy".

For the first time the document brings together proposals for reform of price capping with separate ideas on how to stop the utilities slashing inestment in their networks. It proposes "swingeing pen

alties" for companies failing to supply customers securely and suggests that the utilities should insure themselves against the possibliity of pay-ing compensation. The latter move is designed to reward companies with a good track record in serving customers, since they could demand cheaper premiums.

In an attempt to increase ccountability of the regu-

sumed that it would try to with business ever under-raise around £3 billion. | with business ever under-taken by a political party in could require the watchdogs in the 18 months after the to work with a board of non-executive directors with min-

utes of meetings published. More radically, the party wants the regulators to make public all documents supplied by the companies about their monopoly businesses to the regulators, including "all records, reports or memos".

The document says Labour's proposals are de-signed to achieve the twin objectives of "fairness and efficiency" in the utilities. But some City observers

doubted the party's commitment to implementing the measures in full. One ex-pressed surprise that the is this soft now, imagine what election," he said.

A leading expert on priva

tised utilities and regulation warned that the companies were disguising the true extent of their profits. He sugwould rather see a windfall tax than the introduction of new-style price caps.

"There have been claims in the City that electricity and water companies could afford a £5 billion tax, which means that £7 billion is affordable." Gas industry watchdog Clare Spottiswoode has pro-posed that 1.5 million house-holds in Dorset, what used to be Avon, and south-east Engparty had not made more land should be free to choose binding commitments. "If it their gas supplier from

### L&G's law of large numbers



Edited by Alex Brummer

HE REALLY big number, likely to throw everyone into confusion when Legal & General's results are released today, is the £1.4 billion that will pul-sate through the company's profit and loss account. In essence this huge sum is an endowment arising from 160 consistently failed to hit years of writing life policies, which has been locked up in L&G's accounts as a result of the Articles of Association A its Articles of Association. A profligate policies to slip. The change proposed in the 1995 current circumstances in no annual report and recently approved now requires L & G
under Stock Exchange rules — to take this sum through its accounts into reserves, where it can be used to reward shareholders and policyholders as well as build

on to the business. Legal & General will be the first among many financial groups in the coming months, ncluding Colonial Mutual the Norwich Union and the Alliance & Leicester, to be making payouts to their stakeholders as they simplify and modernise their financial

As far as the rest of Legal & General's figures are con-cerned, the underlying firsthalf results should be quite encouraging given the strong new business figures it has already reported (up 56 per cent in the UK) and the culling of its sales force, as it develops alternative distribution channels. But nothing as exciting as the prospective bonuses.

#### Clarke's plot

his unpopularity in large sections of the Tory party on its head. The economy he is guiding towards the general election next year looks in remarkable shape. While the labour movement squabbles over the minimum wage in Blackpool, the Tories are havabout the record levels of unemployment created in the

The 16,000 drop in August unemployment means that the jobless rate has now dropped in all but two of the coupled to a more radical last 24 months and now stands at 7.5 per cent of the workforce, the lowest level since March 1991. From the Chancellor's point of view it is not coming down helter-skelter, as in the United States, but evenly. Moreover, if this steady improvement could be maintained to elec-tion day then the Tories polls with the jobless rate back below the 2 million level - not what was expected pre-Thatcher, but astonishingly good by European standards.

erage earnings look rock self for a fight which is too important in the public interest to lose.

flation fear. However, be-neath the surface there are some slightly more worrying trends, which will no doubt be seized upon by the inflation-watchers at the Bank of England.

Although pay settlements nationwide have stabilised around 3.5 per cent, above trend growth and shortages of skilled workers in certain sectors could turn the average earnings figures into a prices danger signal.

In the face of good headline inflation data forecasts for today this may seem inconsequential. Not, however, for everyone. There is still con-cern in the financial markets at monetary policy, which seems extraordinarily loose. way parallel the Barber boom son post-1987 expansion in the scale of extravagance. This is a much more subtle plot, be-cause of the benign headline

#### **Utilities danger**

new Labour it is that it will water down its most credi-ble proposals before and after

A case in point is the par-ty's proposals on regulating the privatised utilities set out in Margaret Beckett's indus-

trial strategy document. windfall tax; measures to improve the transparency of the regulators; reform of the RPIsystem to include profit sharing between industry and consumers; "swingeing" financial penalties for companies which fail to deliver se-cure supplies; and plans to force companies to insure themselves against compensa-

HE Chancellor Ken case for curbing the excesses Clarke seems set to turn of the utilities. The companies have, through a mixture of poor political judgement, incompetence and greed, made the case all by themselves.

Labour has milked the emotive debate around these excesses effectively. Now it has come forward with a credible package to deal with them. But it is important to realise that the package will only work if it is used in its entirety.

The windfall tax will have no lasting effect unless it is overhaul of the regulatory system. If a one-off tax is manageable for the companies, they will see "swingeing" penalties as footling. Remember, city experts believe that most utilities could withstand a £5 billion levy without

dividend policies a lot So Labour's document is worrying in that it carries a hint that trade-offs are in the wind. Labour can expect the utilities — experienced in the fight its proposals all the way. Mrs Beckett should steel her-

formance share plan, he qual-

ifies for substantial quanti-

profit targets being achieved.

lionaire several times over following Brierley's hostile

£644 million takeover of

Mount Charlotte Hotels, the

group he formerly headed, in

It is understood that the

pay packages being paid to Thistle's executives are one of

the main reasons why City in-

vestors have given the issue such a lukewarm reception.

Although Thistle has signed up numerous City broking houses to help with the flotation — a traditional

Mr Peel is already a mil-

### **British Gas fishes for** credit card customers

towards the crucial Christ- from sales of £2.5 billion.

like the 1980s happy-go-

lucky style," he said. Kingfisher bounced back

from last year's troubles with 47 per cent profit growth, fuelled largely by

the spin-off from the hous-

ing recovery. Profit before

tax rose to £110 million,

#### Richard Miles and Roger, Cowe

ERHAPS it is because second memory span goldfish as the brand for its new credit card launched It certainly was not the reason cited by British Gas's

marketing team, though they surely hope consumers can be persuaded to forget the 75 per cent pay rise for ex-chief executive Cedric Brown and record levels of complaints. Goldfish, they said, bring colour to a grey market and symbolise wealth and pros-perity in the East. Wealth in

this instance comes in the shape of lower gas bills. Every £100 spent with the Goldfish card, the first fruits of British Gas plans for diver-

pound off their bill.

Mike Parsons, managing director of the new operation, a joint venture with American bank HFC, said the Goldfish card would save the average credit card holder — who puts £1,940 on plastic each year more than £37 a year. "People can only collect so many glasses or earn points towards a balloon trip. This is the first credit card that brings real savings.

talks with several companies to allow Goldfish customers to cut their bills for "essentials" like clothing and food. Many organisations are now jumping on the bandwagon. In recent weeks, new entrants to an already crowded market have included the Consumers'

#### How the charges compare

|   | APK    | Albins sec | credit period |
|---|--------|------------|---------------|
| Co-op Bank<br>Advantage Visa                | 10.9%  | n#         | nii<br>       |
| Consumers' Association<br>Classic Visa Card | 18.9%  | riil       | 56 days       |
| British Ses<br>Goldfish Mastercard          | .18.9% | nii        | 52 days       |
| Lakeside<br>Visa Card                       | 20.2%  | nij        | 56 days       |
| Lloyds Bank<br>Access Card                  | 20.5%  | £12        | 56 days       |

#### sification, earns consumers a | Shopping Centre in Thurrock, Essex, and American Airlines, while supermarket

can be fickle. It's nothing has been improved con- per cent as the DIY market

The group's electrical chain, Comet, pushed up

sales by almost 12 per cent

as its low-price promotions

and a personal computer

boom added to renewed in-

terest in electrical appli-

vourself operation saw

sumer confidence".

giant Tesco also intends to join the "plastic war". Backed by a £10 million advertising campaign featuring Scottish comedian Billy Connolly, the Goldfish card is not the best deal on the market. even with the potential cuts in household bills. Available in both Visa or Mastercard flavours, it has a run-of-themill interest rate of 18.9 per cent APR. There is no annual He said the utility was in fee and the interest-free credit period - how long before

British Gas starts charging interest — is 52 days. Within minutes of Goldfish's launch, the Co-opera-tive Bank unveiled a card which it said was the cheap est on the market with a rock bottom APR of 10.9 per cent. The Co-op Advantage Visa card has no annual fee and an Association, champion of the buyer's rights, Lakeside introductory rate of 7.9 per cent until April next year.

Co-op managing director Terry Thomas said borrowers with an average £1,000 bal-ance would save almost £100 a year compared with standard credit cards, adding to the competitive pressure.

Last week the Consumers

Assocation was accused of dirty tricks when its maga-zine Which? published a glowing review of its two new cards. British Gas, which felt no qualms about defending Mr Brown's 75 per cent rise. would surely not stoop to such low behaviour? Nor to launch a gold card version known as a Cedric.

### Deutsche chips in again

per cent extra sales.

Textile group Coats Vi-yella shares the optimism

about shoppers returning to free-spending habits, de-

spite reporting poor finan-cial results. Half-year prof-its were down £24 million

to £47 million, hit by tough

**EUTSCHE BANK** inter vened again yesterday to reassure the 80,000 remaining investors in the three stricken Morgan Grenfell funds run by rogue fund manager Peter Young, pledg-ing to buy up the funds' shares if the outflow of money persists over the next three

Acid test . . . TV presenter Caron Keating (left) helps marketing director Gwyn Burr launch Asda's cut-price folic acid tablets PHOTOGRAPH: JOHN HOULHAN

mas season. "Consumers | Sir Geoffrey said: "The key | sales rise by more than 8 | theless helped to maintain | nent, in the Philippines and

returned to rapid growth

after stagnation last year.

Sales also grew at King-fisher's other UK interests.

Woolworths and Super-

drug. The less buoyant

economy in France made

life more difficult for the

French electrical subsid-

iary, Darty, which never-

Nervous investors continued to withdraw their money from the MG Euro-pean funds, which are under investigation by City watchdogs after their 72-hour sus-pension last week, almost exhausting the £300 million cash in the trusts. Deutsche | holders is expected later this Bank has already pumped in | week. £180 million.

the group's recovery with 3 Malaysia.

conditions on the conti- half performance."

The investment bank said it would no longer disclose the redemption rates, but it is understood they have fallen below Tuesday's level, when some £24 million removed, taking the total withdrawals beyond £250 million since dealings in the trusts resumed last Thursday.

Yesterday's move aims to deter a further run on the funds, though it came too late for many financial intermedi-aries, who have advised private investors to leave the Morgan Grenfell funds.

it will have any effect. It is just a bit of public relations."

Another said: "Deutsche Bank should have said it would buy up the units last week. We removed a six-fig-ure sum from the funds on Monday The fallout from the debacle

One financial adviser said:

This is nice, but I don't think

In the UK, sales of knit-

wear and underwear were

disappointing but Coats

said: "Some pick-up became

evident in the second quar-

ter. Increasing consumer

confidence and a return to

more normal weather pat-

terns should help se

continued to spread, as Sedg-wick Noble Lowndes, a leading firm of consulting actuaries, blackballed Morgan Grenfell for new pension clients, while Imro, the investe Morgan Grenfell funds.

A deluge of outward transfers by Personal Equity Plan into the funds' irregularities.

#### De Benedetti holdings face Bourse inquiry

in exchange for bank loans.

A source close to the De Benedetti group denied that

this meant the company was

"Making a loan with shares

as pledged collateral is the

unable to sell them.

#### John Glover in Milan

THE turbulence surround-ing Olivetti and Carlo De Benedetti, its former chairman, spread yesterday to France, where the Bourse watchdog, COB, opened an inquiry following press ac-counts of a planned deal involving his French holding company and another French

The watchdog said it had started the inquiry on reports that the French group CGIP would take over Cerus, the De Benedetti investment vehicle, and Valeo, a car-parts maker that Cerus controls. Cerus shares have risen more than 20 per cent in the past two days, while Valeo rose 10 per cent yesterday alone.

These moves coincided most normal form of financ-ing there is," he said. "When with evidence in Italy that

CIR, Mr De Benedetti's main holding company, had pledged about two-thirds of you sell the asset you pay the back the loan." Valeo is controlled by CIR through Cerus, which owns 28 per cent of the shares and its 14.44 per cent of shares in Olivetti to Chase Manhatten Bank as collateral for a loan 42 per cent of the votes. Valeo reported net profits of 656 million francs (£82 mil-lion) for the first half of this of 300 billion lire (£130 million).

take part in Olivetti's rights year and has attracted the inissue last December. Under terest of several international the deal, CIR retains the shares voting rights. Cerus, CIR's French vehibuyers. Cerus and Valeo are listed on the Paris exchange. A CIR source ruled out the cle, has pledged some or all of De Benedetti group as the origin of the leaks. its controlling stake in Valeo

"We have acted in scrupulous respect of the rules," the source said.

He confirmed that there were "conversations" were taking place between the Italians and CGIP.

#### Cut-price flotation means big bonus for Thistle chief annual salary of £330,000 a year with a two-year notice period, while, under the terms of the company's per-

POBERT Peel, chief execu-tive of Thistle Hotels, is in line for a one-off cash bonus of £500,000 when the company comes to market, while senior operations director Norbert Peterson will pocket £250,000.

This emerged as Britain's second biggest hotels company yesterday confirmed the depressed state of the new issues market when it said it would be valued at just over £1 billion at its flotation next month — way below initial forecasts of £1.5 billion.

Under the package, which has raised eyebrows in the City, even among Thistle's advisers, Mr Peel will pick up 492,566 shares, which will be worth between £837,000 and £1.03 million depending on the pricing of the shares. In addition, Mr Peel's con-

tract entitles him to an hind the scenes. TOURIST RATES - BANK SELLS

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way of stifling criticism — there have been rumbles of discontent for some time be-

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Cyprus 0.70 Denmark 8.82 Finland 7.0480 Saudi Arabia 5.80

Hong Kong 11.72 India 55.49



# **Good times for News Bun**

Lisa Buckingham

RROR Group Newspapers, which yester day reported a small rise in half-time profits to £39 mil-lion despite sharply higher newsprint costs, said it would consider more local newsthough it lost out in a bid for The company denied any intention of closing its loss-making cable business Live TV, which has such unsorhisticated items as the News Bunny and topless darts; nor would it be tempted to sell one of its national news-

papers to step up its involve-ment in terrestrial television. Chief executive David Montgomery stressed that newspaper opportunities would not dilute the group's television ambitions. But MGN's share of newspaper readership means it cannot expand its ITV ownership be-yond the 20 per cent stake in Scottish TV without falling

The company, which produces the Mirror, Sunday Mirror and People plus the Daily Record in Scotland, said MGN and Tony O'Reilly's Irish Independent group— which yesterday reported a 28 per cent interim profit rise to I£26 million — remained com-mitted to the Independent and

These titles reported a loss months of the financial year, but cross-charges within MGN means much of this is eliminated at the group level. Group executives said the Independent had not felt much impact from the latest News International promotion, selling The Times for 10p on Mondays. Mr Montgomery said MGN

had managed to improve prof-its and margins despite an extra £18 million newsprint bill by raising the cover price of the Daily Mirror by 2p to 30p and by selling more advertising. Sales were more than 29 per cent up at £277.3 million, with circulation rev enues up by 7.4 per cent and advertising income 4.8 per cent higher.

Cash-rich Reuters unveils its plans to return a further £613m to shareholders

RUTERS, the financial however, that this would not be done at the expense group, yesterday unveiled plans to hand back to topped \$1.8 billion over the shareholders, in the form of special shares, £613 million of its £870 million cash pile, writes Lisa Buckingham. The move, which follows similar shareholder handouts from companies such as Barclays and Boots, means Reuters will have ing the 1990s nearly £1 billion of surplus cash.

Executives pointed out, The company said the development costs of Live TV, and on a City basis in London which incurred losses of \$4.2 million in the opening half, will fall from £10 million to £8 million for the full year and Mr Montgomery said con-sultants had placed a value of

between £50 million and

past three and a half years. Spending on new products, such as the recently-launched 3000 series, is crucial to Reuters, which is under intense competition from such rivals as the US information group, Bloom

this year that it was study-ing plans to hand money back to investors because a

The better than expected half-time figures — which helped shares rise 5%p to 207p the valuation suggested any intention to sell what he have prompted analysts to raise their forecasts for the full year when profits of about £90 million are exasset that is expected to break even in the next few years pected as the impact of news-

repurchase was not poss-ible since UK tax clearance

was not available. Comprehensive UK tax

clearance has not so far

been secured for the latest

scheme, which involves the

issue of special dividend shares, but Reuters' man-

agement said the proposal should avoid any tax disad-vantage for existing share-

holders. Shares in the com

pany rose 14p to 764p in a falling market. Shareholders will receive

one special dividend share

and 19 new ordinary shares for every 20 shares they al-

ready own. Each special

dividend share will pay net dividends totalling 750p

repeat of the 1993 share | compared with the recen share price of 752p. The manoeuvre will reduce the number of shares in issue by 5 per cent, but is not ex-pected to alter earnings per

Analysts said the amount being handed back was larger than the £500 million expected, but this was partially offset by spread-ing the payments over three years. Reuters said it considered

ficiently, at a faster rate and on an equal basis". Shareholders will have to approve the scheme, which will pay the first special dividend on November 25.

 Regional newspaper group, Trinity International, reported a 79 per cent rise in interim profits to £23.8 million, despite a 26 per cent rise in newsprint costs. The results included the Thomson business acquired in January and the company said the out-

Alcopops take the fizz out of cider industry

OUTLOOK/ Lisa Buckingham on the challenges that face the 'rite' of passage' drink of the eighties

up for their annual meeting at the Cider Mills in Hereford's Plough Lane this morning any jitters will have little to do with how long they have to wait for a courtesy bottle of Strongbow or Scrumpy Jack. Instead, most will be on tenterhooks lest their chairman. woe similar to that unleashed earlier this week by rival cider-maker, Matthew Clark, whose shares nosedived again

esterday. But drinks industry restors have rather less to fear from the "alcopop" craze than shareholders in Mat-thew Clark, whose recent sales of cider and Babycham have been smashed by competition from the likes of Hooper's Hooch, Two Dogs and Shott's.

Clearly, having shaken off its erstwhile dowdy image and taken competition from cheap supermarket brands by the throat, cider is once again facing a fierce assault on its £1 billion patch from the new Reuters said it consumed the scheme "the best way of enabling shareholders to tively a mechanism for getting alcohol into the blood ting allowed ting all stream without having to up-set unsophisticated taste buds with all those nasty warm beers, strong smelling whis-kies and altogether too chal-lenging Chardonnays. It is estimated that, since

he launch of Hooper's Hooch just a year ago, there are now about 90 brands in the alcopop market and sales are running at the equivalent of £200 million a year. But drinks industry executives suggest there is more to the problems facing Matthew Clark than meets the eye and possibly greater room for optimism for the cider industry's long-term its largest participant, HP

First, it is plain that, in its drive to improve profits, Mat-thew Clark, which now owns Taunton and Gaymer, has cut the amount of money it puts brands such as Diamond White and K. The company has little faith in advertising despite studies that suggest consumers are hard-pressed they have since rescuing the to tell the difference in taste drink from its niche role as a

HEN shareholders prompted by adverts. Bulmer in HP Bulmer turn is reckoned to account for up for their annual about three quarters of the cider industry's entire adver-tising spend (although that is tising speng (although that is estimated to have fallen sharply) so Strongbow and Woodpecker are expected to be holding their own.

Analysis also point out that Matthew Clark — which has lost 47 rier cent of its stock-

Matthew Clark — which has lost 47 per cent of its stock-market (value in two days — supplies its top brands to Bass pubs and Bass, the maker of Hooper's Hooch, has been promoting its number one alternon segmental in

one alcopop aggressively in the past few months. The difficulty for the cider market is that it has spent years now trying to reposi tion its produce, with young-(ish) women a key target Sadly, this very group is the one which has taken most keenly to alcopops. Indeed, Merrydown, the third largest cider maker, transformed its financial fortunes this year with the launch of Two Dogs,

Upmarket ciders have recently competed with premium lagers for audience but many of the consumers for have appeal are also tempted by alcopops. Bottled brands account for only about one-tenth of pub cider sales and, following the trend of the rest of the beer market, on sales have been losing out to take past four or five years. In contrast, 70 per cent of alcopop sales take place in pubs and

industry about the possibility that alcopops will go the way of other fashionable launches such as non-alcoholic lager. Experience in Australia – where the whole alcopop craze was born — sugge that the exponential growth vitnessed in the UK in the past year may not last, even though drinks experts say there is, as yet, no sign of a slowdown. Australia has demonstrated a demand among "cadet drinkers" for alcopops, but 20-30 brands at the outset l main contenders.

The question is whether cider-makers can respond to the latest assault as well as



#### **News in brief**

### Chiltern ends train order drought

Three years of train-building drought in Britain ended yester-day when Chiltern Railways ordered new rolling stock for its London-Birmingham route

Chiltern is paying £34 million for twelve 100mph trains to ABB Daimler-Benz Transportation of Derby — the first UK rail order for 1.064 days and the first by a privatised passenger operator. To secure its franchise, Chiltern had to promise to introduce new trains, which are expected to be in place by 1998. The deal has been financed by Porterbrook Leasing, one of

three private companies which purchased British Rail's old rolling stock. — Keith Harper

#### Classic sues for £3m

Classic FM, the national classical music radio station, launched legal action claiming £3 million damages relating to the charges it pays to transmit programmes. The writ was issued against NTL, a subsidiary of US Cabletel, which secured the transmission deal with the BBC on behalf of Classic in 1992.

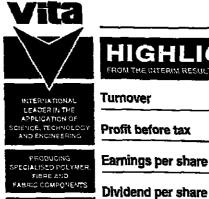
Classic pays 50 per cent of maintenance costs for masts used by BBC Radios 1, 2, 3 and 4 and reckons it should share these costs pro-rata. The company says NTL accepted the charging system was unfair and piedged to try to renegotiate. Failure to do so. Classic alleges, will mean extra payments of £3 million during its eight-year licence. - Lisa Buckingham

#### Art sales grow

CHRISTIE'S International, the art auctioneer and dealer. reported strong sales growth in Britain, Hong Kong and Switzer-land as pre-tax profits jumped from \$10.1 million to \$15.9 million

#### Co-op up a quarter

ATTENTION to price, service and its ethical stance assisted Cooperative Bank to a jump in pre-tax profits of almost a quarter, to £25 million, for the first half year. After launching aggressively-priced products, average customer deposits grew by 28 per cent, pushing up net interest income by a fifth while lending was up by 16 per cent. — Roger Coure



### HIGHLIGHTS

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### Magnate denies plotting \$1.2bn fraud that led to BCCI collapse

■HE head of an international shipping and trading empire plotted a 1.2 billion (£775 million) fraud that led to the collapse of scandal-ridden bank BCCI and financial disaster for its depositors, the Old Bailey

Abbas Gokal operated the swindle to fund his lavish life-style and provide personal gain for himself and his im-mediate family, said Anthony Hacking QC, prosecuting.
Mr Gokal, along with his two brothers and some dishonest senior officials of BCCL, set up a "factory" in the bank's London headquar-ters that created false documents on a vast scale, the

to deceive the outside world as to what was really going on between him and BCCI". Mr Gokal, aged 60, has de-nied conspiracy to defraud and to account falsely be-

tween 1985 and 1991 — the year BCCI collapsed. Mr Hacking said Mr Gokal ran a shipping and trading empire from Geneva and Lon-

don called the Gulf Group. Mr Hacking said: "You will hear of vast sums of money -literally millions of dollars flowing between his companies all round the world." Bank accounts were set up in New York and were used to collect and distribute funds secretly through a large num-ber of companies. The Gulf

no car phone, it was impos-

sible to stop him. He arrived to be met by a solitary

doorman, who curtly in-formed him that he was

"not required". According to insiders, the minister was not pleased.

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— a levy on foreign exchange transactions first
proposed by James Tohin in
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Jones of Susses University began to explain why the National Liberal Club was

But before she could

warm to her theme, pre-sumably on the radicalism

of Liberal bods like Keynes and Beveridge, participant Andrew Hilton cut her off:

"Why, because it is the home of dead ideas?"

such a suitable venue.

Harsh, but fair.

false financial structure | By this time BCCI could not | BCCI, where there was no withdraw without risking collapse, said Mr Hacking. More than \$500 million was major factor leading to the collapse of BCCI."

stolen by some senior officials of BCCI from private funds of the Sheikh of Abu Dhabi over whose funds BCCI had control in order to satisfy Gulf Group's demands. Bribes were paid to three of

the BCCI officers involved in the fraud, the prosecution al-

While Mr Gokal claimed Gulf Group never existed, documents signed by him were found by the Serious Fraud Office, in a London safe deposit box, which showed that he and his two brothers owned and controlled the companies involved in the frauds, said Mr Hacking.

nents on a vast scale, the Group's finances deteriorated two brothers incurred and Mr Gokal threatened in two brothers incurred they later set up and ran a 1995 to liquidate his empire. \$1.2 billion of debt owed to

Price Waterhouse "which ex-tensively chronicled for the first time the frauds and deceptions involved". . After the collapse, most of the conspirators went to Pakistan, where there was no ex-tradition treaty with Britain, the court heard.

real security. This was a

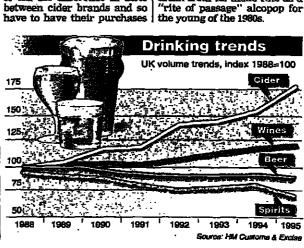
BCCI had 24 branches in

Britain. It was closed down by the Bank of England which had received a report the pre-

vious month from accountants

Mr Gokal also went, but in December 1994 caught a plane travelling from Pakistan to the US which put down in Frankfurt to refuel. Mr Gokal was arrested and extradited The hearing is expected to

last six months.



### Underside

court heard.

#### Richard Thomas

ORD Sterling, imperious boss of the shipping and property group P&O, has offered the Prime Minister a pearl of his wisdom. On the eve of anniqueing the marrier of announcing the merger of P&O with Dutch firm Nedlloyd, the "close friend" of Mrs Thatcher "dropped a note" into Number 10 warning that, unless the Government gets its act together, the maritime intogether, the maritime in-dustry will decamp to more favourable territory. Here, at last, is a possible role for Mr Major's secret

weapon, codenamed NORMA. She shares with Sterling a love of opera and could soothe his angst between arias. They could start with HMS Pinafore.

PHILLIP Oppenheim, new Treasury minis-ter and party animal, lost some valuable revelling time on a recent summer evening. Promised a slot on the national televison evening news as duty Treasury minister, the eager MP was dispatched from his country home to the nearest studio in

hour-plus drive the pro-ducer changed his mind but. as Mr Oppenheim has

HES COME 3,000 MILES TO WATCH SHEARER. NOT SCORE Newcastle Utal Ten minutes into the

UROPEAN monetary nnion is not standard fare at Washington dinner tables. But for those residents who work for the World Bank and Interna-tional Monetary Fund the Issue could soon be of burn-ing personal signifiance.

Under the 1944 Articles of Association, the headquar-ters of both bodies should be located within the boundaries of the member with the largest sharehold ing. The penny is starting to drop that, post-EMU, that place could be the euro-area. In which case the Frankfurt property market could be well worth

POSTING to New York for Ian Shepherdson to be chief economist of HSBC Markets is proving a wrench. Poor Mr She-pherdson has just bought a season ticket for Newcastle United (not cheap) and he has agreed to cross the Atlantic only on condition that his new home in Summit, New Jersey. is fitted with a 6ft-wide televison screen on which to watch his beloved team.

NDIA'S parliament was plunged into darkness for a few minutes on Wednesday, interrupting a debate of MPs. Apparently a power failure was to blame. The subject under discussion at the time? Advances in Indian science and technol-



# Eva Luna repays Eddery with interest ahead

RANSATLANTIC telephone lines must have been buzzing yesterday as Henry Cecil, in Kentucky for the yearling sales, learned of the Doncaster successes that took him to the top of the trainers' table. Corradini and Eva Luna his big rival Saced bin Suroor slipped back into second

Lisa Buckingham on the

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place after the abject failure of Russian Snows in the Park Eva Luna made all the run-ning in this and stayed on stoutly to confirm her recent

York superiority over Time Allowed, extending her winning margin from a head to a length and three-quarters, despite drifting in the market from 6-4 to 2-1. For Pat Eddery, riding his

150th winner of the season, it must have been especially satisfying in view of the split two-day whip-ban, starting tomorrow, which he picked up on the filly at York. Eva Luna's dam Media

Luna died two years ago after being struck by lightning but she will not be hurried off to stud to replace her.
"She cracked a cannon

bone as a three-year-old and couldn't run so there's every chance she'll stay in training next season when she could be a Cup filly," said Grant Pritchard-Gordon, racing manager to Khaled Abdullah Pritchard-Gordon, doing

the talking in the absence of Cecil, was fairly upbeat about the prospects of the favourite Dushyantor in Saturday's St Leger, commenting: "Du-shyantor is in good form and I'd even go further than that and say the trainer is very happy with him." Corradini, ridden by Keiren

Fallon, was another winner for the famous pink and green silks when justifying even-money favouritism in the Mallard Handicap.

Fallon pulled the handsome Corradini to the outside soon after turning into the straight and, without showing a spec tacular turn of foot, the colt gradually wore down Candle



Time out . . . Eva Luna, Pat Eddery's 150th winner of the season, gallops on too strongly for Time Allowed in the Park Hill Stakes at Doncaster yesterday

reputation as the being one of sixth overall. the best trainers of sprint Both are handicappers in the country when winning "both" races for the Tote-Portland Handicap.

Musical Season at 33-1 was stands' side, with Barron's shoulder top weight of 9st For The Present finishing 10lb.

David Barron fuelled his | first on the far side but only

Both are in next week's Ladbroke Ayr Gold Cup in which Barron also has the ante-post favourite Coastal Bluff, although his participation is not quite so certain the official winner on the now that he may have to

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to see," said Barron. "But Musical Season will definitely run -- his owner Peter Savill has always wanted to win the race — and For the Present is pretty certain to go as well."

handicap, is unlikely to run following his thrilling final-stride win in yesterday's Don-Musical Season incurred a

caster Bloodstock Sales Scarbrough Stakes. Gay Kelleway picked up 7lb penalty, taking his weight

"If he gets top weight that to 8st 7lb, and is 12-1 from 33's | Anzio for £6,000 out of a alters the job and we'll have | with the sponsors. The reason | claimer at Lingfield in Februfor the overall rise in the weights for the race is that won over £40,000 for his Anzio, currently heading the shrewd handler who is not short on self-confidence. She reckons she could "train winners on the moon" and as this was her 34th of the

Doncaster with guide to the latest form

A measure of her judgment will be the performance of her two-year-colt Musheer in tomorrow's Laurent-perrier Champagne Stakes. "He's so good he frightens me," she said. "I worked him

with Russian Music, who is rated 103, and the three-yearseason it is hard to argue old couldn't get anywhere

Channel 4

### Celeric to stay in Cup

OUBLE Trigger, last season's champion stayer who lost his crown in the Ascot Gold Cup, returns after nearly three months on the sidelines in this afternoon's East Coast Doncaster Cup. writes Chris Hawkins.

A foot injury which scotched his sale to Saudi Arabia has been the reason

for his absence but Mark Johnston, his trainer, is happy enough with him

"He's been back in training for five weeks and has had a steel shoe on for three weeks," said John-ston. "I don't think he's quite 100 per cent fit, but he's well enough to do himself iustice."

Double Trigger has always been characterised by his determination and no doubt will take some beating today, but he must be vulnerable after such a

lengthy lay-off.
Celeric looks the big danger. Blessed with a fine turn of foot, he will be waiting to pounce in the final farlong and if his stamina holds out he may prevail.

I hate opposing Double Trigger but just prefer Celeric (3.40) on this occasion The Fly (2.00) has won his able style and could defy the handicapper by regis-tering a hat-trick in the

Ralph Raper Nursery.
Barry Hills trains this two-year colt who, as befits a relation of that grand stayer Further Flight, showed his appreciation of a test of stamina when storming through the final furlong to win a 20-runner nursery over a mile at New castle last time.

He had previously arrived late on the scene when getting up in the final stride at Ayr, and that form has worked out well.

David Loder has been en-joying a purple patch and other winner for him in the Group 3 Britain's Fastest

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| 12       | C50010 SOAKING (42) (CD) P Eurgoyne 6-3-6  | D R McCabe 3                                   |
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| 13       | C50010 SOAKING (42) (CID) P Burgoyne 6-3-6   | Doubthul                                       |
| 14       | 0-690 CLASSIC LOOK (61) D Chappell 3-9-5   |  |
| 15       | 56-000 SOCIETY SIAGIC (99) ) Balding 3-9-4   |  |
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| 18       | 556056 CALAPSIO (21) C Britain 3-9-2   | B Dovie 5+                                     |
| 19       | 025090 KOWTOW (45) LI Lisher 3-3-2   | R Street 17                                    |
| 20       | 025(9) XOWTOW (45) II Usher 3-9-2<br>505465 DESERT CALM (21) (D) Mrs P Outfield 7-9-0  |  |
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| 9        | 650000 MANABAR (8) (D) H Pollage 4-9-3   | O Ibbba 2                                      |
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3.40 BAST COAST DONCASTER CUP 2m 21 C19.072

TOP FORM TIPS: Caleric B, Double Trigger 7

Popural De DOUBLE TRUGGERE Led antil over well over 11 out, hard rigger and stayed on, 1% and to Classic Cliche, with ASSESSOR (levels) bried of large of 7 (Royal Ascot 2mAL Gd-Fm).

CELETIC: Eltion 31 out, quarkened to lead 11 out, ran on, won by 21 from Always Alpot (York 2m, Gd).

LEAR WHITE: Eltion thalway, 2m straight, lept on one pace 40 3nd bid Lusa (Estephin-Hogs) find, Gd).

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ASSESSOR: Origaned Snat 21, 92 last of 5 bid hussan (Dearwille 1m7), Gd).

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# Swiss goal blizzard buries Rangers

Patrick Glenn in Zurich

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COTLAND's stock urkyilmaz led Grasshopper to a victory in Zurich which was not only comprehensive but thoroughly merited. The skilful striker scored in each half, the second a free header from a corner kick on the left, to underline the superiority of the Swiss champions, who took charge of the match from

the start.
Walter Smith's apparently reasonable hope that Rangers would be more positive than they had been in last season's opening match in Bucharest was shattered within the first

the middle by the powerful and skilful Yakin. Magnin and Esposito and spear-headed by the clever, lightning-quick pairing of Turkyilmaz and Moldovan, came off their stools like hungry contenders in a world champion-

Even before those early goals, they had hit the crossbar, forced a wonderful save from Goram and generally made the travelling support, huddled in a corner of the stadium, feel as though they had strayed into an ambush. Rangers' form in the qualifying round against Alania had not prepared them for this sort of treatment.

A goal for the home side ed inevitable long before Yakin scored the opener in the 18th minute. Moldovan's searing shot had made Goram launch into a full-length dive to his right and Turkyilmaz had clipped the crossbar with a bewildering turn past Gough from Yakin.

Then Turkyilmaz was fouled by Bjorklund only a foot from the by-line on Rangers' left and took the free kick himself. The ball was played straight to Yakin, who beaded it downwards and over the line via Goram's

The Swiss had already de-clared impressive credentials unusual goal for Rangers to concede. They are normally expert at defending high crosses into their area Allowing Yakin the free

cator of their lack of self-as surance, and they were in complete disarray when the second goal was scored nine minutes later. Petric fouled Turkyilmaz, and this time the elegant striker put a wicked curve on the ball with a left foot drive that flew deep into Goram's left-hand corner from 20 yards. By that stage Rangers had

managed only one worth-while attack, Laudrup, Gascoigne and Durie combining to set up Albertz, coming in from the left. But the defender's low drive was pushed wide by the diving Zuber buhler, and when Gascoigne received treatment by the touchline for a knock on his right ankle it was just another in a series of bad moments for the Scottish

Rangers markedly improved their territorial gains after the break, if only be-cause Grasshopper adopted a what-we-have-we-hold policy They began to rely on the long through ball to the quick feet and wits of Turkyilmaz and Moldovan, and even this cautious tactic almost brought the third goal.

Turkyilmaz found himself suddenly free on the right. with his partner waiting six yards from goal. The ball was lelivered but Moldovan drove it into the ground and over the bar. Turkyilmaz, claiming a corner, was booked for car-rying the ball away.

McCall joined him in Senor Garcia's book soon afterwards for a lunge at Esposito, but Rangers' new freedom then almost brought a reward. Albertz, fed by McCall 30 yards from goal. produced a fierce left-foot drive and the ball carried only marginally wide

Laudrup, who had mainly been a huge disappointment had a sound claim for a penalty when he motored into the area from the right and was hody-checked by Yakin, but the appeals went unheeded. The replacement of Cleland by McInnes soon after this

was an indication of Rangers' urgent need of more threat in the forward areas, but by then the Swiss were very much in control.



Float like a Grasshopper, sting like a bee . . . Yakin flies between two Rangers defenders to head the opening goal in Zurich

#### Jardel doubly blessed as merciless Porto twice fight back to triumph at Milan

THE EUROPEAN Cup opened with a convulsion in Italy but not, sadly for England, in Turin. Instead Milan, clear

favourites for the trophy. fell 3-2 at the San Siro to the Porto side led to the Portuguese title last season

The Italian champions were twice ahead, only for Jardel to strike twice, after 75 and 83 minutes, to give Porto a memorable win. Ajax. Juventus's victims in the final in May, won 1–0 in France against Auxerre,

Britain's most successful foot-

balling export will tonight

step back on to the Cup Win-

They will do so with confi-

dence notwithstanding the

fact that it is a trophy that has never found its way to the Liverpool trophy cabinet — although they lost the 1966

final to Borussia Dortmund -

a gap in the club's curriculum

vitae made all the more irri-

tating by Everton's success in

the competition 11 years ago. Beneath grev skies Liver-pool's arrival in this sleepy.

run-of-the-paper-mill Finnish town went all but unnoticed.

It is hardly surprising: by

Premiership standards the

Merseysiders' opponents are

Naturally the manager Roy

Evans was at pains to remind

everybody that MyPa-47

ners' Cup trail.

Litmanen striking with a by their former coach volley after only four chinov. But after the inter- Hutnik Krakow 1-0, scor-

lan Ross on Liverpool's arrival in Anjal

pressure in the Cup Winners' Cup tonight

N a town none of Liver-pool's squad had heard of before last month's draw last visit to Finland five years

Ankoski and an attempt to relieve the

Spartak survived mounting second-half worries before emerging with a 3-2 win over Silkeborg of Denmark. The Russians swept into a 3-0 lead in 37 minutes through from Tikhonov, who struck twice, and Ke-

last visit to Finland five years ago had ended in a 1-0 second-

leg defeat by Kuusysi Lahti.
"I would like to believe that

my players are professional

enough to go into every indi-

vidual fixture without a hint

of complacency." said Evans. "We just cannot afford to dis-

regard the opposition because

their past results suggest they

They may well do but it will

not stop Evans from naming a

brave starting line-up in the

hope of plundering a precious away goal. "These days scor-ing on your opponents'

Curiously, although his side is one of only three in the

Premiership to have negoti-

ated the season's opening five games without defeat. Evans

dumped Motherwell out of the | the Liverpool Echo's repord competition.

know what they are doing."

In the Uefa Cup. Moscow | with goals from Thygesen and Reese. Then, in the closing minutes, Spartak's goalkeeper Nigmatullin was sent off for handling outside the area. Tikhonov took the jersey and saved a penalty.

In Poland, Monaco beat val Silkeborg fought back | ing a late goal despite play-

ters from the club's training

The reason? The Saturday

pink edition had the temerity to print two letters criticising

Evans's perceived tactical na-

ivety. The two parties have since kissed and made up.

is almost ready to launch a

senior comeback after pick-

ing up an injury for England against Scotland in Euro 96,

Evans seems likely to stick with the men who did little to

impress in defeating South-

"We haven't been fantastic so far; we have been grinding

out results," conceded Evans.

the tiny Saviniemi Statium.

MyPa-17 would settle for that.

"Liverpool are so well-known

in Finland they will probably

have more supporters here

than we do," said the MyPa

The Uefa mandarins must have seriously considered renaming this tournament

the Cup Losers' Cup this year.

coach Harri Kampman,

games without defeat. Evans is feeling the pressure.
Earlier this week he took the unusual step of barring the children as runners-up in their respective knock-out

Before a crowd of 4,000 in

ampton 2-1 on Saturday.

Although Jamie Redknapp

ground.

Kalac 'deal'

WOLVES have been or-dered by a Football

League commission to pay Leicester City £250.000 in compensation after their

manager Mark McGhee

reneged on a transfer deal with his former club.

The commission ruled yes-

terday that McGhee was

wrong to withdraw from ne-

gotiations with Leicester

after initially agreeing to sign

the Australian goalkeeper

Soon after leaving Filbert

Street for Molineux McGhee

inquired about the midfielder

Steve Corica, also an Austra-

lian, and Kalac and Leicester

accepted a £1.75m package.

McGhee, however, handed

over only £1.1m for Corica after learning that he might

have work-permit problems

over the 6ft 7in Kalac, still

on loan to Sydney United.

ances for them.

registered with Leicester and

Wolves must also pay a fur-

ther £200,000 for Corica now

that he has made 25 appear-

Zeljko Kalac for £650.000.

£250,000

Peter White

ing with only 10 men for most of the second half. Monaco's defender Philippe Leonard was sent off in the 62nd minute after a wild tackle brought his second yellow card. But his Nigerian team-mate Viktor Ikpeba scored from close range three minutes from

costs Wolves

must have been underwhied by events off the plack There is no knowing what the situation will be for the second leg on Septe but it will not ease the task of winning by two goals to go through. If Arsenal can take any hope, it is from the fact that the poor state of Borns

won for four years. Adams is likely to be entit still, despite having resumed

The one piece of encourage ing news for Arsenal fans is that Wenger is keen to secure Stefan Effenberg, whose class and composure at the heart of Borussia's attacking move ments characterised the dif-ference between the two sides

on the night.

Carlos Queiroz, the cosch
of the US Major League cub
New York-New Jersey cub
firmed yesterday that he has been offered the job of manage ing the Japanese club Gram-pus Eight, which could speed Wenger's departure.

# Chaotic Arsenal count the cost

Martin Thorpe says the board must share blame for the Uefa Cup mess

A RSENAL may conce have been an institution but they are currently driving their fans crazy. The chil are in a mess and doubts on Tuesday night about their ability to get past even the first round of the Uefa Cr were only the latest p gg on the face. For instance, there was the

insavoury manner of Bries Rioch's departure, and no one knows when, indeed if, the next manager Arsène i is going to forsake the land of the Rising Sun to lift the caretaker manager Stewart Houston could soon be on his way to join George Graham at

The multi-million pound input of Vieira and Garde ba so far been a waste of time because both are stre for full fitness, and to the long-term injury of Adams can now be added a serious namstring problem for Berg kamp, one of the team's few class players.

Whatever use resear by Bo-senal's first-leg defeat by Bo-Monchengladiach, fall ure to progress further in the competition will deprive Ar-senal's financial platners of a least £500,000 a round in los television and advertising re-enue and up to fi milion a round had they drawn one of Europe's big clubs. That is a

very expensive round It would be too simplistic in one person. Arguably, had the old dependables Adams and Bould been in the centre of Arsenal's defence, the offside trap would not have been sprung for Borussia's first goal, Linighan would not have been on the affich to make the error for the Ger mans' second and a free header would not have been

allowed for the third: Moreover, on another mis-Arsenal might not have found a post and an inspired goalkeeper in the way of them suring more than twice Benkamp going off after 19

minutes did not help either.
But equally, the Arsen board has to bear much of the confidence that goes into producing the discipined parket mances that have characterised Arsenai's D

sia's ground means the te will be played at Cologne. where the Germans have no

training after the knee opera-tion that has kept tim out since January Bergkam, too, is very doubtful.

#### to try and capitalise on his

one diagonal delivery in the

ren Eadie go flying in the pen-alty area when an Alan Mc-Donald foul on Shaun Carey earned the QPR captain a booking and, immediately, more severe punishment.

for a splendidly-struck drive, his fifth goal of the season.

Rugby League

SOUTH WALES will play in the First Division next season rather than in Super League, to which they had

provisionally been admitted.

The club's "fast tracking" into Super League was depen-

dent on their meeting stipula-tions over finance and play-

ing strength. But Maurice Lindsay, the game's chief ex-

ecutive, felt that, while the

state of the club was "pretty good", there was a "little bit missing" on each of the

Paul Fitzpatrick

the other end and after one thrilling run Akinbiyi lifted the ball over Steve Yates but his wayward finish illus-

ability. Without his clever

in the second half Mike Milli-gan was forced into a desperate clearance to keep Norwich's lead intact. It was now becoming a far more even affair, with Matt Jackson testing Gunn from a corner, al-though Norwich remained

rebound home.

### set to play for the first time this season on Saturday

Soccer

Results

second-class.

Group A: Auxerre 0, Ajax 1 Group B: Alletico Madrid 4, Steaus Bucharest 0 Borusaia Dortimund 2, Widzew Lodz 1, Group C: Rapid Vienna 1, Fenerbabce 1

he 0, Penginnalion 4. Legle Warsaw 2
PONTINS LEAGUE: Premier Divisions
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Everton 2: Oldham 0, Blackburn 1; Tranmere 3, Bolton 1, First Divisions Blackpool 1, West Brom 2, Sunderland 3, Shell
Uld 0 Second Divisions Bradford C 2,
Barnsley 0; Carlisle 2, Stockport 1; Man
City 1 Rotherham 0, Wrestham 3, Burnley
2; York 1 Hull 0 Third Divisions Bury 0,
Ulnotin 1; Rochdold 1, Scarborough 0,
Wilgan 2, Walsall 2 AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: League Cupe Brislo! C 3, Bristo! Rvrs 1 Southampton 3, Portsmouth: Wallord 1 Charlibn 1, West Ham 3, Ipswich 1; Wilm-bledon 6, Brighton 1, Cardiff 1 Swansea 1

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T Misseter (Aut) bt F Squillari (Arg) 6-4, 6-3: M Normani (Swo) bt T Kempers (Neth) 7-8, 6-4.

CZECH WOMEN'S OPEN (Karlovy Vary)First roomen B Paulius (Aut) bt K Maleeva (Silvak) bt H Sukova (Ca) 6-3, 6-3. 3. Second rounds S Talaja (Cro) bt K Habsudova (Silvak) 6-4.

6-0: R Dragentir (Born) bt D Chiadkova (Ca) 6-5, 6-0; F Perfecti (II) bt R Bobkova (Ca) 6-1, 6-0; E Gogliserdi (Mon) bt S Hack (Ger) 6-4, 7-6; K Stecheshkova (Silvak) bt S Dopler (Aut) 6-2, 6-1.

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Francisco 0: Houston 4, Philadolphia 3;
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Cycling

TOUR OF SPAIN: Fifth stage (Murcia to Almena, 131.25 miles) 1. J. Billievens (Neth) TVM 4hr 39min 39ser; 2. N. Minali (It) General; 3. T. Steels (Bel) Mapor all same time. Overall standings: 1, L. Jatabert (Fr) (NCE 20hr 49min 47ser; 2. Baldalo; 3. Lombardi 4. J. Wernor (Gut) Telesom al. 20sec; 5. S. Wesemann (Ger) Telesom 25; 6. S. Fousnello (II) AKI; 7. R. Pestore (II) MG, 3. L. Pavanello (II) AKI; 9. S. Uchalov (Un) Potil st; 10, L. Colombo (II) AKI

Snooker

SUNTORY ASIAN CLASSIC (Banglot): Second round: R O'Suffrom (Eng) of A Robidous (Can) 5-4; P Ebdon (Eng) of A Williams (Wal) 5-1; T Drago (Malla) b N Bond (Eng) 5-1; S Davis (Eng) b R Lawler (Eng) 5-3; S Blazroes; (Eng) b R Burrows (Eng) 5-1, B Blorgan (Eng) b S Hendry (Eng) 5-3, K Doberty (Ira) bt D Haroki (Eng) 5-2.

Fixtures

Soccer

#### Sport in brief Athletics

A proposed race over 158 metres between Michael Johnson and Dondvan Balley to determine the world's fastest man fell apart when the Canadian rejected the idea Bailey angered the Johnson camp by saving he would camp by saying he would "easily win" a race against the American "but not this year".

Boxing

Terry Dunstan, the British cruiserweight champion, has been nominated to meet the world champion Akim Tafer of France by December 15 after the Ukrainian Alexander Communication der Gorov withdrew.

Tennis

port, Mary Joe Farnands, and Linda Wild have been selected to represent the IS against Spain in the Fed Cup final in Atlantic City on September 28-29. Monica Seles, Lindsay Daven

### First Division: Norwich 1, QPR 1

### Impey tweaks Canaries' tail

Trevor Haylett

T was as if the new QPR manager had been appointed during the half-time interval and immediately woke them up to the nature of the task.

After an opening period in which they were clearly second best, Rangers revive spectacularly to earn a point through Andrew Impey's 81stminute equaliser. Robert Fleck was missing

tion of the young striker Ade Akinbiyi persuaded Norwich to adopt a long-passing tactic Ian Crook's distributive skills were crucial as they launched a wave of attacks,

13th minute almost prising an opening for Neil Adams. On that occasion the winger over-ran the ball but when the pair next combined the result was both fruitful and memorable Norwich had just seen Dar-

Crook's clever 17th-minute free-kick saw him pass through the legs of a team-mate and into Adams's stride

Simon Barker almost surprised Bryan Gunn with a volley but it was an isolated

OPR raid. Most of the action was at

trated his inexperience. QPR are clearly missing the influence of Ray Wilkins on the field, not to mention the former manager's passing prompting Trevor Sinclair and Daniele Dichio were forced to manufacture their

own openings.
From Dichio's cross early

dangerous on the break. An equaliser looked more and more likely as QPR grew in confidence and with his first touch the substitute Paul Murray scraped the top of the crossbar. A foul on Sinclair by the right touch-line earned Danny Mills his second booking and a red card and when cleared Impey rammed the

Morwich, Garri, Sutch, Newman, Poiston, Mills, Crook, Milligen, Carey, Adams, Akinthyi, Eadle.

OPPR Sommer: Jackson, Yales, McDonald, Brovet, Challe (Norte 60mm), Barker, Ousahle, Impsy, Shoclar, Dichlo.

Raferee M Balley (Impington).

South Wales 'relegated' before they start

er. South Wales have been guaranteed £250,000, and their income from their first sea-

son could be £1 million if they win the title.

South Wales's demotion means that the Super League will remain at 12 clubs with the same number in the First Division and 10 in the Second.

The Super League clubs will get a higger three clubs

will get a bigger share of the cake next season — \$11.4 mil-

lion — but all the clubs came

away from yesterday's meet-ing in Leeds satisfied with

requirements. their allocation: 24.7 million | Warrington can so The blow of losing a Super to the First Division clubs | deal." Harris added.

League place has been soft and £1.1 million to the ened by a financial sweeten. Second.

their allocation: \$4.7 million | Warrington can sort out a

#### Chariton warm | Evans seeks away bonus QPR off Curbishley

CHARLTON yesterday warned Queens Park Rangers that it would cost them a fortune to recruit Alan Curbishley as their new

manager. Rangers had hoped to announce a replacement for Ray Wilkins this week and after their failure to land Terry Venables, George Graham or Ray Harford, the spotlight has fallen on Curbishley.

But Charlton's executive director Jonathan Fuller said there had been no approach for their manager "and we would not welcome one. If he went, we would demand considerable compensation. We would not stand in his way if he made it clear he wanted to go but hopefully he won't". The Croatian international

defender Slaven Bilic is thinking over West Ham's offer of a new contract. "It is too early to say what the con-clusion will be," he said yes-terday. "I think and hope I will stay here as I have a superb relationship with the players, the manager and the fans. But you never know,"

Manchester City have signed the centre-back Darren Wassall on a month's loan from Derby to ease the injury crisis that has robbed the caretaker manaser Asa Hartford of five senior defenders. Southampton's Dutch cen-tral defender Ken Monkou is

against Tottenham after a orolonged calf muscle injury.
The Anglo-Italian Cup has been scrapped this season be-cause the English and Italian leagues cannot agree dates.

Apollo Perelini, the St Hel-ens and Western Samoan

prop. was yesterday named the inaugural Player of the

Year by the Rugby League Writers' Association.

St Helens, meanwhile, have confirmed their interest in

lestyn Harris, the Warrington full-back or stand-off, who is

Harris, who is also a target

for Sheffield Eagles, said he

"would jump at the chance"

top side and I hope they and

on offer at £1.35 million.

EUROPEAN CUP CHAMPIONS' LEAGUE

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# **Wales leave** back-burner

Quinnell, who joined Rich-mond from Wigan for £200,000

Terry Cobner, the Weish RFU's head of coaching, has been negotiating with the 24year-old but has refused to speak to Quinnell's agent Mike Burton. Cobner said: "We have to be very careful we do not establish a precedent which would have deep ramifications for the WRU. There is not a great deal of the Union, despite what some have said. He has had a bad press and he is anxious to play for Wales again. We hope he will be in the side when we face Australia in December.'

Evans, Young and Gibbs have been recalled even though they have played less than half a dozen union games between them this season. The Wales coach Kevin

Quinnell because only one No. 8. Steve Williams, has been included. Webster,

early to bring them back in to the fold, but they have been professional players for a long time and know exactly what that involves," said Bowring. Three uncapped players are

called in: the Pontypridd cen-tre Jason Lewis. the Neath hooker Barry Williams and the Neath flanker Ian Boobyer. Bowring plans to use the matches against France and Italy to look at new combinations before the sterner December Tests against Australia and South Africa.

"The early games give us the opportunity to try some-thing different," he said. "We have been looking for clubs to embrace the new style of rugby based on pace and continuity which we believe is necessary if Wales is to become a force again.' Bowring will next week name his side to play France

but has a problem in that Cardiff, the club providing most players, Cardiff, have yet to are in a state of disarray.

lard's conversion established an unassailable 24-0 lead.

just before the half-hour to

allow Swansea to plunder

metre touchline run with a

splendid try.
Three minutes before the

break Bath resumed normal

service with a scorching diag-

leave himself a simple

Weatherly, who had replaced the injured Williams, barged

over for a try to the right of the posts that did something

to raise Swansea's flagging

morale as Bath led 31-10 at

Swansea found Bath's non-

stop movement no easier to

contain in the second half as

they conceded a storming try by the lock Haag and a mar-

vellous solo effort by Webster,

Bath stretched their lead to

Simon Davies kept the

Swansea flag flying with a

corner but a minute later the ebullient Webster skipped

through to claim a second try. Robinson then added two

52-10 with a low burrowing try in the right corner by De Glanville and, just past the hour, Butland profited from a midfield break by Paul.

the recruit from Salford.

the break.

On the stroke of half-time

# **Quinnell** on

ALES have wasted no time in recalling four of their former internationals who return after a summer of rugby league. Scott Gibbs, David Young. Stuart Evans and Richard Webster were yesterday named in a 35-man squad to prepare for four Tests before Christmas, but there was no place for Scott Quinnell, who is locked in a pay dispute with the Welsh Rugby Union.

move last May, is unavailable for Wales's internationals against France in Cardiff on September 25 and against Italy in Rome on October 5 after demanding three times the £2,000 appearance fee on offer to players based in England.

Burton said Quinnell was standing firm on the point of principle. "Scott is not being the grands of the grands of the grands of the grands." N Device Liencell.

principle. "Scott is not being led along by some unscrupt-lous agent, as has been suggested. Nobody starts a job and negotiates his pay after-wards. He will not be availmatches since we have not sorted out what he will be paid. He wants to play for Wales but he also wants the

An opening has been left for

Anglo-Welsh Cup: Bath 87, Swansea 15

### Bath's league recruits shine

Robert Armstrong

ATH, aided and abetted by their Wigan league recruits Henry Paul and Jason Robinson, inflicted and Jason Robinson, inflicted wing Simon Davies, who a humiliating 13-try defeat on hacked on to complete a 40ing in the new Anglo-Welsh Cup at the Recreation Ground last night.

The try-hungry Paul wasted no time in paying off part of onal run by Callard, who his £80,000 contract with two scored between the posts to early touchdowns while Rob-inson, who scored twice near the end, created scoring chances for his union teammates with astute tactical running. Swansea, who looked reasonably strong on paper, were so out of their depth that at one stage they

seemed in danger of conceding 100 points. A smallish crowd saw Bath begin with a brilliant salvo of 17 points in the opening seven minutes. Adebayo, the powerful England A wing, punished the rather casual Swansea defence with two well-worked tries at the left flag within four minutes of the kick-off. The first followed a chip across the in-goal area by the

an opportunist effort. Paul, who is thought to be earning £5,000 a game during brilliant solo try in the right his four month sabbatical from corner but a minute later the Wigan, threw down the gauntlet two minutes later. He imperiously twisted away from a half-hearted Swansea tackle and hared down the left flank for a touchdown greeted with the league star's first points in

fly-half Butland: the second

first-class union. After 15 minutes Paul proved it was no fluke when he took a short inside pass from the Bath skipper De Glanville and, with a 40-metre

midfield break, crossed the try line near the posts. Cal-

SCORERS Bath: Triess Adebayo (2),
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just before the whistle.

### Honeymoon is

ANDY GOODE, Britain's Olympic manager, has returned from honeymoon and must now try to save his job, writes Richard Jago. Goode, now married to the England player Joanne Wright, faces a move to replace him with a four-man coaching committee formed from the home countries. Goode's relationship with Wright attracted the criticism tournament in Germany later | that it could compromise his managerial impartiality. Furfather's tax evasion trial in ther controversy arose when Mannheim. The US Open he supported Wright, Julie

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### Thoroughbred Jones is clear Derby winner

HERE were more lurk-ing lenses, it seemed, than at one of Princess Diana's self-orchestrated photocalls. Thrusting competitive young tabloid reporters were hanging around the Taunton pavilion precincts and Peter Anderson, Somerset's chief execu-tive, observed: "I don't think they are here to watch the

Their intended prey was of course Dominic Cork, whose marriage was in trouble. He looked pale and tired, though he turned in some of his best bowling for weeks. He was saying nothing about his do-mestic problems but Dean Jones, captain of the visitors Derbyshire, noticed some

"It was the way he was pro-tected by his colleagues. When it was time to walk down to the cars, they crowded round him, disguising him and making it almost impossible to take his picture. If that isn't team spirit, I don't

know what is." But "Deano" is also the quintessentially tough, unsentimental Aussie who knows that cricketing fame comes at a price. These have been difficult days psychologically for Cork, quite apart from his domestic problems: he was left out of England's one-day internationals and i was said he needed a rest.

"If you accept the acco-lades, then you must also be prepared to accept a kick or two up the bum," said Jones. It was more a general observation than a dig at Cork, a player whose feisty, if over-histrionic, attitude usually finds favour with his skipper.

Jones is coming to the end of his first season with Derby shire, a county revitalised by him and his Victoria mate Les Stillman, the coach he insisted should come with him.

Today Derbyshire, six points off the top, face War-wickshire at Derby. And, with an irony that is not lost on Jones, their final fixture which could bring them their first championship in 60 years — is against Durham, the fledgling first-class county he was on the point of rejoining during the winter.
There are peeved, even

angry, expressions peeping up from the basement. Many of the Durham committee were convinced he would be back to resume that challeng-ing agenda he had indirectly helped to set up in the first | Championship leaders



#### David Foot on the Victorian couple giving Derbyshire visions of their first title since 1936

ducements to the newcome "I was treated beautifully at Durham and have no complaints with them at all," said Jones. "Yet I wanted to win something in the short term and Durham didn't fit my requirements. They will grow in experience and will suc-

ceed in the years to come."

Jones still bristles when he thinks about the way his Test career withered at home after a dozen successful if at times abrasive years. He was the loquacious self-confidence. He was never short of a shot or a word. They called him

the best one-day cricketer in

the world but he preferred Test matches and felt he still had more to contribute when relegated to 12th man. So, at the age of 35, Jones has now focused his energies as a player and hard-eyed tactician, into a burning commitment to Derbyshire. "Some of wary of us when we came over. They were worried

about what they feared would

be a different format and an

Australian approach.
"Derbyshire are a team full **TOP SIX** 

just have to be strong as well, treating the players as you'd want to be treated. Les came over two weeks before me and laid down the rules. He looks after the tactical aspects and comes up with ideas all the time. From his experiences in Australian football as well as cricket he knows a lot about players' problems on and off the field.

of strong personalities, so you

"Devon Malcolm is no prob lem at all; he's a wonderful mate. I let him set his own fields when he's bowling and he likes that responsibility."
As for Kim Barnett, the previous captain: "I couldn't ask for a better man in the trenches. He's always coming up with good tips, based on his knowledge of the English game, and I listen to them."

Barnett, for his part, says

the Jones-Stillman partner ship is working productively. "If Deano asks me something then I chip in but mostly stay in the background. Les is a quiet unassuming Austra-lian who is particularly it's the captain who decides on policy and determines the tactics. It wasn't difficult for me to give up the captaincy — to be honest, I was sick of it."

Jones admits he is weary and echoes the valid cry that there is too much cricket in an English season. "Captaincy is very hard mentally, though I wouldn't change a thing. It helps that my wife and family are over with me."

Not for years has the championship developed into such an enthralling, open contest. If Derbyshire should squeeze back to the top, it will serve as a glowing vindication of resourceful chairman Mike Horton, who has radically refashioned the county and turned round its parlous finances to make it the ciron and off the field.

Jones, with another year on his contract, added his praise: The new infrastructure was a large part of the appeal to me. I want to be able to hand the team over in a flourishing state to a new captain."

Derbyshire will rely on an

all-pace attack today, with the left-arm seamer Kevin Dean coming in for the spinner Glenn Roberts to support Malcolm, Cork, Phillip DeFreitas and the England A tour selec-

Warwickshire's reserve is expected to play as a batsman, with knee surgery ending Dominic Ostler's season. medium-pacer Graeme Welch has been added to the visitors' squad.



Loud one . . . captain Deano makes his point at slip in last week's draw at Taunton TIMCUFF

### Whitaker gives Leicestershire the edge in title stakes

HE highly competitive though rather mediocre competition for the County Championship. which enters its penultimate round today, could yet be decided by a forgotten factor: cautaincy.

In the absence of an outstanding team the race was always likely to be decided by a variety of extraneous issues: the weather, the pitches, England calls,

Leadership qualities have been largely forgotten, and that is hardly surprising. The outstanding captain is Mike Gatting, whose Middlesex side are out of the running in seventh place. At Surrey Adam Hol-

lioake has been even more impressive than Alec Stewart when leading a gifted side; at Essex Paul Prich-ard has made the most of his thoughtful deputy Nasser Hussain; Steve Marsh has been one of four skip-pers at Kent; and at York-shire David Byas, though

an improvement on Martyn eted ambitions of becoming Moxon, has sometimes apacaptain and will be peared tactically chal-rewarded if in 10 days enged, particularly during the loss at Sussex. At Derbyshire Dean

Jones, with his massive self-belief, has been a huge success but his pace-attack has also left him looking as well-armed as one of those Mexican villains in a spaghetti western.

All of this leaves us with James Whitaker of Leices-tershire, possibly the best captain among the leaders. Whitaker had always cov-next season.

second ever County Championship.
With a lead of a single two games will give them the title. Of all the leading sides they also go into today's matches with the

Leicestershire lift their

point, they know that maximum points from the last most enthusiasm: they play a Durham team who seem fortunate to have retained their first-class status for

lally, who yesterday signed a new three-year contract, returns to the side at Chester-le-Street. Their West Indian all-rounder Phil Simmons has also signed a new deal, for two years. Jack Birkenshaw, their

enthusiastic cricket man ager, yesterday predicted "an historic fortnight. The target has to be to take maximum points".
Stuart Law, the 27-year-

Leicestershire's England NatWest Trophy semi-final left-arm seamer Alan Mul-win over Surrey, returns to win over Surrey, returns to Chelmsford from Sri Lanka to face a Sussex side who championship matches. But Essex could be without the seamer Neil Williams (thigh injury) for the run-

Kent's left-arm spinner Min Patel, left out of both England squads, could return against Hampshire in their final home match. Stuart Law, the 27-year-old Australian who has not played for Essex since the of matches.

Olympic Games | Golf

### Redgrave on board for bid

John Duncan

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STEVE REDGRAVE put his considerable muscle to a British Olympic bid yesterday, urging the country to get behind a campaign to bring the Games to Britain for the first time since 1948. The ordinary person in

the street is desperate for us to be successful in sport," said Redgrave. "If we can set the ball rolling, we should be able to make a strong bid for the Games in 2008 or 2012. There is plenty of young talent around waiting to be developed. What an incentive they would have if the Games

were in their own country."
The British Olympic Association wants a govern-ment-backed London bid for 2008 with a rebuilt national stadium as the centrepiece.
"I would be very keen to get

involved," said Redgrave, whose win in the coxless pairs with Matthew Pinsent was Britain's only gold medal of the Atlanta Games. "The Olympics have been my life since school. I would relish the chance to bring them here.'

Redgrave was speaking as Barclaycard announced a £6 million scheme to fund grassroots sport. The scheme includes a £10,000 monthly award for successful athletes as well as funding to help the mass of volunteers on whom British sport relies.

### Faldo flies in to view video

David Davies at St Nom la Bretêche

ICK FALDO, making one of his sporadic European raids, has found that nothing much has changed. The US Masters champion arrived in France on Tuesday to play in the Tro-phée Lancôme near Versailles just in time to walk into a special players' meeting.

"What I found out," he said yesterday, "was that all we have been complaining about for three years had come to a head at Collingtree and the British Masters there." It was there, of course, on a

course jointly owned by the European Tour itself and IMG, the tour's principal promoters, that the greens were the worst that many experienced players had ever at-

tempted to play on.

The affair prompted Severiano Ballesteros and others to call the players' meeting and,

money list will assemble

at Wentworth next month

to try to prevent Ernie Els

three years in a row.

"A major priority," he said, "is, and always has been, to

get courses in Europe condi-tioned properly." Britain's best-ever golfer left his home tour principally in search of better facilities in the United States, both for practice and for playing; that move was seen to pay off in April, after just over a year there, when he won his third Masters. Now Faldo makes infre-

quent trips to Europe, this being his first since the Open at Lytham, and he will stay on to play next week at Loch Lomond. He feels his game is "a little out of sync" and pro-posed to spend yesterday afternoon watching a video of his swing. "Tm a few frames away from playing well," he said, "a pause button away from a good swing."

US top five set for Match Play THE top five on the US | Montgomerie, the top two on the European Tour, will join Mark Brooks, Tom Lehman, Steve Jones, Phil Mickfrom becoming the first elson and Mark O'Meara, as will Steve Elkington, last year's runner-up.

year's runner-up. Nick Faldo has a prior Ian Woosnam and Colin | commitment in Japan.

while the proceedings were held to be private, Faldo shed some light on it.

"A major priority," he said, worried. "I am playing well, I am confident and I have no

reason not to be," he said. Montgomerie is, and has been for two or three years, the best player in the world championship. He is very conscious of that and knows he needs to find a way of play-ing in majors as he does in

"Last week I had my wife and daughter Olivia with me and I felt very relaxed," he said, and it may also help him to know that the man he beat last week, Sam Torrance, who was eight strokes ahead at halfway, recognises his fellow Scot as one of the best players he has ever seen in Europe. Torrance says: "Colin is as

good as Sandy Lyle was when Sandy was at his best, and Colin is more consistent I think he's as good as Woosie, too. They've both won majors, but I think it's only a matter of time for Monty."

Woosnam is playing this week but Lyle has slipped so far that he is not even eligible for a field that has doubled

itself, to 120 players. The only leading European Tour players not here are Frank No-bilo, Robert Allenby and Mark McNulty, all representing the Rest of the World versus the United States in the President's Cup.

#### Zabaleta checks Mantilla's rise on wrong sort of clay

David Irvine

SPANIARDS outnumber even Americans among the top 65 players on the ATP's latest ranking list but, as Felix Mantilla found to his cost here yesterday, quantity offers no guarantees when establishing success.
On the relatively rare green clay at the Bournemouth In-

ternational Mantilla was de cidedly off-colour when his rise from 110th to 16th position, mainly on the back of 40 victories on the red variety, was halted by an 18-year-old Argentinian occupying a modest 125th place. However, Mariano Zaba-

leta, who last year took the French junior title on his way to becoming world No. 1 at that level, is a player of whom more will be heard. He had lost his two previous matches against Mantilla but he clearly learned the relevant lessons. Yesterday he won 6-2, 2-6, 6-4, fighting back from 0-3 in the deciding set by giving Mantilla an object lesson in how to use and counter the drop shot.

Tall, angular, quick and strong, Zabaleta looks light years ahead of Britain's Martin Lee, one of his temporary successors as the game's top junior. To win as he did, after in Leipzig, even though the in their decision not to play losing nine out of 10 games in organisers had expected her for England in the world team one passage of play, spoke to stay away.

volumes for his mental strength and resolve.

Mantilla became Zabaleta's most distinguished victim since joining the senior ranks. A semi-final place may

be his for the taking if he can

get past the German Marc-Kevin Goellner tomorrow.

Goeliner outlasted Lars Jonsson 6-7, 7-5, 6-0. The former French champion Sergi Bruguera, who has not won a title of any kind since August 1994, gave him-self a chance of a first semifinal place on the tour this year when he defeated Sweden's Patrik Fredriksson 6-4, 6-4. Bruguera's rehabili-

slow and he is still not mov-ing with his old fluency.
Such lack of form is synon-ymous with Spain's showing this season. Apart from Bruguera's silver medal at the Olympics, Costa's appearance in the Dubai final in February and Roberto Carretero's unlikely win in the German Open, their elite XI have made no impact on hard courts, carpet courts or grass. despite taking 10 titles on clay.

this month despite her champion has agreed to play

• Steffi Graf will play in a

### **Badminton**

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Bradbury and Simon Archer

finals in Hong Kong in May.

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#### HOLDERS JUVENTUS HAND OUT A LESSON TO ENGLAND'S FINEST

Champions' League: Group C Juventus 1, Manchester United 0

# **Boksic** leaves United groping

David Lacey in Turin

wasteful finishing by Juventus preserved United clearly still have some way to go. Only wasteful finishing by Juventus preserved United's interest in their opening Champions League game in the Stadio Delle Alpi here last rie stadio Delle App nere last night. Alen Boksic gave the European Cup holders the lead just past the half-hour, and by then Juventus had

nissed several chances. In 1994 Arsenal held Torino to a grim goalless draw here in the Cup Winners' Cup and, dreary though that spectacle was, it offered some clues about the way United needed to approach last night's match. Under George Graham, Arsenal became adept at denying European sides space; United had to do something similar.

With the need for European nous paramount, Alex Ferguson decided to partner Pallister with Johnsen at centreback. The front three were entirely foreign, with Po-borsky and Cruyff flanking Cantona. The manager had started the day in English mode by reportedly signing Gary Neville, his brother Phil. David Beckham, Nicky Butt and Paul Scholes to new contracts that will keep the young ones at Old Trafford

But last night, with Juventus content to play the patient and possessive European to find a flag already up. Unit-way, the football took a while ed's relief, however, was to break out of its gentle ebband possessive European and-flow, although the ease with which Boksic started to turn United's defence on the left was worrying for the English champions.

Just before the quarterhour a raking pass from Deschamps, one of two French-men in the Juventus side, sent Boksic clear and Conte seemed likely to score as he met the volley at the far post. But he stabbed his shot into the ground and the ball flew over the crossbar

United's attack was less in evidence. With Butt playing in Keane's anchor role and keeping a watchful eye on Zi-dane, while Beckham and Giggs were tucked in to the midfield. Poborsky and Cruyff tended to be isolated on the flanks. Up front Cantona often had only Montero for company.

While it did not make for a

riveting spectacle. United's pattern was clearly designed to subdue the tempo of the game, as in the FA Cup final which set out to stifle Liver pool's passing rhythms.

Boksic, however, continued to make his own space despite United's tactics. Midway through the first half he popped up on the right wing. this time to produce a cross which might have set up Viero for a goal had the ball not bounced awkwardly as he met it. Four minutes later he squandered a much better chance as United began to ride their luck a little.

This time Del Piero sup-plied a cross from the left which found Viero rising be-tween the centre-backs for what amounted to a free header. Free or not, he still managed to nod the ball over. On the half-hour Schmeichel could only parry a 25-yard shot from Pessotto and Conte pounced on the rebound to find the net, only

Three minutes later they forced their first corner, a big mistake. From it Juventus swept away on the counter-attack, Zidane's through-pass caught United with thin cover at the back and the rest was down to Boksic. After evading Butt, the Croatian calmly chipped the ball past the advancing Schmeichel.

Boksic ended the first half

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Push off... United's attacking Czech Poborsky pulls away from Pessotto and the upright Boksic

with a yellow card for fouling dane were doing much as Giggs, who gave way to McClair in the second. The the overlapping runs of Peschange made little difference to the overall trend which continued to find Juventus piercing United's cover with

sotto on the left became more and more ambitious. Soon after half-time Cantona managed to set up a promising movement around the Juven-By now Deschamps and Zi- tus penalty area but Poborsky

wasted it with a wild centre. Soon after this the Czech gave the ball away to Del Piero in his own penalty area and only Johnsen's intercep tion saved the situation for United after the Italian had crossed from the byline. Then Gary Neville nearly let in

Still, United were only a goal behind and the scores might have been level after an hour had Poborsky made better contact as he made a late. run to the far post to meet Neville's deep centre. Juventus: Peruzzi Porrini, Ferrara, Montero, Pessotto, Conte, Zidane (Di Lwio, 78mini, Deschamps, Boksic, Vieri,

Set by Mercury

Montero, coming through strongly from the back.

Der Piero.

Manchester United: Schmeichel; G Neville, Johnsen, Pallister, Irwin, Beckham, Bult, Gigge (McClair, h-l), Poborsky (Cole, 77). Cantona, Cruyff (Soiskjaer, 77).

Referee: M Merk (Germany).

### Raise one last glass to Sam and Clem



Frank Keating

AM COOK was buried at St Mary's in Tetbury on Tuesday. Clem Thomas's funeral takes place at St Paul's in Swansea's Sketty this very mid-morning. Two grand men suddenly no more

Sam nearly took more wick-ets (1,783) than he scored runs (1,965) for Gloucestershire in his 18-year career as a meticulous left-arm spinner. He played one solitary Test for England before becoming a much-loved fixture on the first-class umpires' panel, and when not adjudicating on England's green fields of summer, he would winter content as

Tetbury's favourite plumber Clem was an ox-strong backrow forward, a British Lion who played 26 times for Wales often as captain, before becom ing a trenchant sportswriter. A farmer's son, Clem ran

the family's secondary business for a time. "I was the only player I know who took his profession on to the field," he would chuckle. "I was a whole sale butcher.

Reverie-reflective Sam and ever-zestful Clem were totally different back-page heroes. though similarly appealing smiles would crease their hale and nutbrown faces. Sam's tan reflected his 40 summers as a craft-versed long-day toiler. Clem's ruddy complexion was testament to his beguiling summers in France, sampling his beloved Bordeaux and Burgundies.

Clem was a man of gusto, as much in his writing as in his tackling during his playing days. When his friend John Arlott, like Clem a sometime radical Liberal candidate, wrote his poem about Clem's beloved home paddock, St Hel-en's, he might have had Clem

in his mind's eye and his "..high-trampling scrummaging game,

Intense as an Eisteddfod It burns down the day like

a flame. Clem had bottle all right. Soon after an appendicitis operation, he defied the doctors and helped the Lions beat the dreaded Springboks in the third Test of 1955. A year earlier his daring cross-kick of nerveless grandeur brought Wales a last-gasp victory against the All Blacks.

Probably the only insecu-rity of Clem's vibrant life was his need to carry a copy of Roget's Thesaurus around the press boxes of the world. He never had to use it, of course, and when you chided him for it he'd just chuckle "Bugger off!"

At 18, still callow at Cam. bridge, his first vac-match back home was for Neath It was against Penarth on an all. was against renarm on an all-round filthy night, and his op-posite number clogged him vi-ciously. The Neath pack immediately meted ven-geance, ktcking the culpritall

over the Gnoll. "Till the day I die," Clem would recall, "Til remember him looking up at them and pleading "Ave an 'eart, boys ave an 'eart'."

Uncompromising as he was Clem abhored snidely dirty players and the preening m darins of rugby's Unions. The last thing I can find that he wrote included the line: "Because of its physical nature, rugby needs, above all, to be based on fun, fellowship, and

LEM would have been 68 this winter Sam Cook was 75 last month. In the pastoral perfection of a boyhood in "Glorse", one loved Sam from the first for his own obvious fellowship and trust as he'd faithfully stopper-up one end to allow the fizzing finger spm of Goddard and Wells, Allen and Mortimore to bite the hatters' bails off at the other.

In the gully once, a ball on his cheek. "Don't worry, Sam," said his best pal George Lambert at slip, "it's not blood, it's Worthington E." Sam, who averaged less than five with the bat, was noted for a chop the players called 'the kill-the-rat drive".

Yet as a cricket reporter in the 70s and 80s one knew that a county match scorecard that read Umpires: SO-AND-SO AND S COOK' meant a rewarding evening that would invariably begin and end with Sam saying, "What are you

having, then?"
He was picked for England in 1947 after just a season with the county, against South Af-rica on a bed-of-marble pitch at Trent Bridge, "Tell em you've got 'flu, Sam," urged his wise old mentor Tom God-dard. England 12th man Dong

Wright felt the same. "Tm so sorry, young Sam," he told Cook. "Rather you than me." Sam bowled nine overs in each innings, suffered figures of 0-127 and was never considered again. But he wore his England blazer to the very end, doing his veg allotment in it sometimes, or his plumbing jobs round Tetbury. Quite

right too.

### Soccer chiefs blamed for new stadium delay

John Duncan on the growing danger of national arena plans collapsing

HE NEW £180 million the Premier League, which national stadium may who will invest cash, have not never be built because of foot-dragging by England's football authorities, according to sources close to the Lottery Sports Fund, which will provide the cash.

The Sports Council, responsible for co-ordinating the choice of a site for the stadium, has set a November 6 deadline for full bids to be submitted by Manchester and Wembley, both shortlisted in October 1995. No more delays will be

allowed and. if the November deadline is missed, both bids will fail. However, Manchester has already threatened the Sports Council with a judicial review, plunging the entire process into more chaos and

There are strong indica-tions that neither bidder will be able to meet the deadline because the football authorities, primarily the Football Association, which will bring England matches and the FA Cup final to the stadium, and line." said an FA spokesman yesterday, "and we are more

yet reached a satisfactory agreement with either of the potential bidders despite almost 12 months of negotiating. The Sports Council is are

said to be increasingly frus-trated at the slow pace of the football authorities' negotia-tions, having granted two ex-tensions of the deadline The football authorities are currently refusing to agree to commit to any new stadium for the next 20 years, something the stadium needs to be commercially viable. They

want a five-year deal instead, which breaches one of the key elements of the Sports Council's requirements — a longterm commitment by event The FA admits that negotiations with the stadium bid-ders are not complete but deny any foot-dragging. "We are fully aware of the dead-

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Thames crowds jostle to barter for

their government rations.

menacing iron grey. Snow lies two feet

deep in Oxford Street, and on the frozen

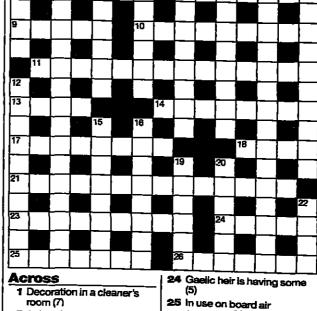
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than confident that it will be If no new stadium is built, Britain has no chance of host

ing a major athletics champi onship or the 2008 Olympics. Other problems remain unresolved. Wembley, the overwhelming favourite to get the money, has still not solved the Sports Council's main fear over their bid - the financial relationship between debt-laden Wembley Stadium Limited and the new stadium. The Sports Council does not want the award of a new stadium effectively to bail Wembley plc out of a difficult financial position.

If neither bidder is chosen, the Lottery Sports Fund is almost certain to face legal action by Wembley and Man-chester, who claim that the Sports Council has compli-cated the final bidding pro-cess by including new requirements.

The Sports Council chief executive Derek Casey has writ-ten to at least one party in-volved in the deal, which includes the governing bodies of football, rugby league and athletics, asking it to set out in detail any grounds for legal objection it is harbouring.



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room (7)

5 A duck in a box should make you laugh! (7) 9 One has to be one (5) 10 Strong tea stirred with a

11 Driving around he'd be with Helen (6,3,5) 13 Declare thoroughfare will

meet with resistance (4) 14 Top people on these may be praying holding bones (8) 17 Mother always takes Doctor

East into castles in Spain (8) 18 Cash drawer having illuminated back on one 21 Waiter had slung out some

of my relatives (9-2-3) 23 Label ballad about Capone as follows (4,5)

passages (7) Person proposed by Noel left without going round colliery (7)

**Down** 1 Bird caught on a string (4) 2 Betty Hutton film tune angering you when broadcast (5,3,4,3)

3 Black Queen will take nothing standing here (6) 4 Knocks swimmer into dangerous part of river (6)

5 Infectious musical composition in G (8) 6 Famous version of 9 across

with a different end (8) 7 Suitable test for those wishing to become dentists? (4,11)

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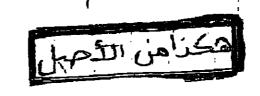
12 Frank has a set brought up for the examinees (10) 15 Curved structures built by cunning methods (6).

16 Voracious painter of vainte

19 Figure one will have £1,000 in shortly (6)

20 Burning stable that's decrepit (6) 22 Second person referring to God (4)

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